

# HIGHLANDS COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Tuesday, December 17, 2024

9:15 AM

600 S. Commerce Ave. Sebring, FL 33870

## 1. ADDENDUM TO THE REGULAR AGENDA OF THE HIGHLANDS COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

## 2. REGULAR SESSION BEGINS AT 9:00 A.M.

## 11. ACTION AGENDA

### 11 C *Request adoption of Resolution 24-25-050 to appropriate Opioid Settlement Funds received from the State of Florida.*

Dustin Fitch, Deputy Fire Chief

The fiscal impact is an increase to Fund 005 (General) and the overall budget in the amount of \$968,701.08.

[Resolution.pdf](#)

[Implementation Plan.pdf](#)

### 11D *Replacing consent agenda item 8.H. on the regular agenda to Request adoption of Resolution 24-25-043 for Budget Amendment 24-25-025 to appropriate additional funds and purchase 18 new Lifepaks and Narcan from the Opioid Settlement Funds Project #23053.*

Dustin Fitch, Deputy Fire Chief

Fiscal impact will be an increase to Fund 005 (General) in the amount of \$508,500.00 to Project 23053 which, along with \$137,042.00 that is already budgeted in this project, will be transferred to Project 24031. The total amount of \$708,115.00 is being appropriated in Cost Center 5105, Accounts 56400Z Project Equipment and 55200Z Project Operating Supplies in the amounts of \$704,815.00 and \$3,300.00, respectively for the purchase of 18 new LP35 Lifepaks and Narcan.

[24-25-025 Xfer Fds from Proj 23053 Opioid Settlement Fds to Proj 24031 Lifepak Replacements \(BA\).pdf](#)

[24-25-025R Xfer Fds from Proj 23053 Opioid Settlement Fds to Proj 24031 Lifepak Replacements \(Resolution\).pdf](#)

**HIGHLANDS COUNTY  
COUNTY COMMISSION AGENDA ITEM**

**DATE OF ACTION REQUEST: Dec 17, 2024**

**PRESENTER: Dustin Fitch, Deputy Fire Chief**

**SUBJECT/TITLE: Request adoption of Resolution 24-25-050 to appropriate Opioid Settlement Funds received from the State of Florida.**

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**STATEMENT OF ISSUE**

On February 6, 2024, Highlands County entered into a Florida Opioid Allocation and Statewide Response Agreement with the State of Florida Department of Legal Affairs, regarding the distribution and use of funds from opioid settlements (“Agreement”). The settlement funds are projected to be distributed to Highlands County over the next fifteen (15) years. There are two mechanisms by which the settlement funds are to be distributed to Highlands County; the City/County Settlement Funds are distributed directly to the County and the Regional Settlement Funds are distributed to a Managing Entity for implementation within the County. It is the intent to use the proceeds from the settlement funds from the City/County Settlement Fund for FY 23, FY 24, and FY 25 and the settlement funds from the Regional Settlement Fund for FY 24 and FY 25 for the purposes set forth in the attached proposed Implementation Plan.

**RECOMMENDED ACTION**

**Move to adopt Resolution 24-25-050 to appropriate Settlement Funds received from the State of Florida.**

**FISCAL IMPACT**

The fiscal impact is an increase to Fund 005 (General) and the overall budget in the amount of \$968,701.08.

Attachments: [Resolution.pdf](#)

Attachments: [Implementation Plan.pdf](#)

**RESOLUTION NO. 24-25-050**

**A RESOLUTION OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA PERTAINING TO THE RECOGNITION, APPROPRIATION, AND DISBURSEMENT OF \$1,168,317.04 IN REGIONAL AND CITY/COUNTY OPIOID SETTLEMENT FUNDS; PROVIDING FOR LEGISLATIVE FINDINGS AND INTENT; PROVIDING FOR THE APPROVAL AND AUTHORITY OF THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR, OR DESIGNEE, TO ADMINISTER, IMPLEMENT, AND MANAGE THE \$1,168,317.04 IN REGIONAL AND COUNTY OPIOID SETTLEMENT FUNDS; PROVIDING FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIONS; PROVIDING A SAVINGS CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR SCRIVENER'S ERRORS; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**WHEREAS**, on February 6, 2024, Highlands County ("County") entered into a Florida Opioid Allocation and Statewide Response Agreement with the State of Florida Department of Legal Affairs, regarding the distribution and use of funds from opioid settlements ("Agreement"); and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to the Agreement, some opioid settlement funds are distributed directly to Highlands County via the Opioid Settlement City/County Fund, and additional opioid settlement funds are allocated to Highlands County by distribution to a Managing Entity via the Opioid Settlement Regional Fund; and

**WHEREAS**, the Florida Department of Children and Families ("DCF") has engaged Central Florida Behavioral Health Network, Inc. ("CFBHN") as the Managing Entity to administer, implement, and manage the Opioid Settlement Regional Fund allocations within Highlands County; and

**WHEREAS**, the County received notice that its allocation for year one of the Opioid Settlement Regional Fund is \$605,280.74; and

**WHEREAS**, the County received a distribution for year one of the Opioid Settlement City/County Fund in the amount of \$62,573.01; and

**WHEREAS**, the County received notice that its allocation for year two of the Opioid Settlement Regional Funds is \$289,647.00; and

**WHEREAS**, the County received a distribution for year two of the Opioid Settlement City/County Fund in the amount of \$137,042.95; and

**WHEREAS**, the County received notice that its allocation for year three of the Opioid Settlement City/County Fund is \$73,773.31; and

**WHEREAS**, the Agreement requires that all opioid settlement funds are to be utilized to increase the amount of funding presently spent on opioid and substance abuse education, treatment, prevention, and other related programs and services within the County; and

**WHEREAS**, to facilitate the use of the funds from the Opioid Settlement Regional Fund, pursuant to the requirements of the Agreement, the County must enter into a Purchase Agreement and Business Associate Agreement between the County and CFBHN; and

**WHEREAS**, the County has determined that the Implementation Plan attached hereto as **Exhibit “A”** and associated spending of Opioid Settlement Funds pursuant thereto is appropriate and that it is in the best interest of the citizens of and visitors to Highlands County to enter into a Purchase Agreement and Business Associate Agreement between the County and CFBHN in order to accomplish that which is identified in **Exhibit “A”**.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY HIGHLANDS COUNTY AS FOLLOWS:**

**SECTION 1. Legislative Findings and Intent.** Highlands County has complied with all requirements and procedures of Florida law in processing this Resolution. The above recitals are hereby adopted.

**SECTION 2. Adoption of Implementation Plan.** Highlands County hereby approves and adopts for implementation the Implementation Plan, attached hereto as **Exhibit “A”**, and supports entering into a Purchase Agreement and Business Associate Agreement between the County and CFBHN, in forms approved by the Office of the County Attorney.

**SECTION 3. Implementation of Administrative Actions.** The County Administrator is hereby authorized and directed to take such actions as deemed necessary and appropriate in order to implement the provisions of this Resolution. The County Administrator may, as deemed appropriate, necessary and convenient, delegate the powers of implementation as herein set forth to such County employees as deemed effectual and prudent.

**SECTION 4. Savings Clause.** All prior actions of Highlands County pertaining to the recognition and appropriation of Regional and City/County Opioid Settlement Funds, which is the subject of this Resolution, as well as any and all matters relating thereto, are hereby ratified and affirmed consistent with the provisions of this Resolution.

**SECTION 5. Scrivener’s Errors.** Typographical errors and other matters of a similar nature that do not affect the intent of this Resolution, as determined by the County Administrator, may be corrected.

**SECTION 6. Conflicts.** All Resolutions or parts of Resolutions in conflict with any of the provisions of this Resolution are hereby repealed.

**SECTION 7. Severability.** If any Section or portion of a Section of this Resolution proves to be invalid, unlawful, or unconstitutional, it shall not be held to invalidate or impair the validity, force, or effect of any other Section or part of this Resolution.

**SECTION 8.** Effective Date. This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its passage and adoption.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** this 17<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2024.

**HIGHLANDS COUNTY**

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Arlene Tuck, Chairwoman

ATTEST:

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Jerome Kaszubowski, Clerk of Court

# EXHIBIT "A"

## Implementation Plan Non-Qualified County— Highlands County

**Funding Amount**      **\$1,168,317.04**

**Year 1 + 2 (Regional Fund)**

**Year 1 + 2 + 3 (City/County Fund)**

| <b>Core Strategy (From Schedule A)</b>                                                                                                                                                       | <b>Allowable Use (From Schedule B)</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | <b>Service Provider</b> | <b>Contract amount</b> |
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| A. Naloxone or other FDA-approved drug to reverse opioid overdoses.<br><br>A.2. Increase distribution to individuals who are uninsured or whose insurance does not cover the needed service. | A.5. Support mobile intervention, treatment, and recovery services, offered by qualified professionals and service providers, such as peer recovery coaches, for persons with OUD and any co-occurring SUD/MH conditions and for persons who have experienced an opioid overdose.<br><br>H.1. Increase availability and distribution of naloxone and other drugs that treat overdoses for first responders, overdose patients, individuals with OUD and their friends and family members, individuals at high risk of overdose, schools, community navigators and outreach workers, persons being released from jail or prison, or other members of the general public.<br><br>H.2. Public health entities provide free naloxone to anyone in the community. | Highlands County        | \$3,300.00             |

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|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | H.11. Support mobile units that offer or provide referrals to harm reduction services, treatment, recovery supports, health care, or other appropriate services to persons that use opioids or persons with OUD and any co-occurring SUD/MH conditions.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |                |                         |
| <p>A.1. Expand training for first responders, schools, community support groups and families.</p> <p>B. Medication-Assisted Treatment (“MAT”) Distribution and other opioid-related treatment.</p> <p>B.3. Provide MAT education and awareness training to healthcare providers, EMTs, law enforcement, and other first responders.</p> <p>G.5. Funding and training for first responders to participate in pre-arrest diversion programs, post-overdose response teams, or similar strategies that connect at-risk individuals to behavioral health services and supports.</p> | <p>A.8. Training on MAT for health care providers, first responders, students, or other supporting professionals, such as peer recovery coaches or recovery outreach specialists, including telemonitoring to assist community-based providers in rural or underserved areas.</p> <p>D.1.f. Co-responder and/or alternative responder models to address OUD-related 911 calls with greater SUD expertise.</p> <p>H.3. Training and education regarding naloxone and other drugs that treat overdoses for first responders, overdose patients, patients taking opioids, families, schools, community support groups, and other members of the general public.</p> <p>H.12. Provide training in harm reduction strategies to health care</p> | Multiple - TBD | \$10,000.00 (projected) |

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|                                                                                                                                                                                                              | <p>providers, students, peer recovery coaches, recovery outreach specialists, or other professionals that provide care to persons who use opioids or persons with OUD and any co-occurring SUD/MH conditions.</p> <p>K.1. Provide funding for staff training or networking programs and services to improve the capability of government, community, and not-for-profit entities to abate the opioid crisis.</p> <p>K.2. Support infrastructure and staffing for collaborative cross-system coordination to prevent opioid misuse, prevent overdoses, and treat those with OUD and any co-occurring SUD/MH conditions, or implement other strategies to abate the opioid epidemic described in this opioid abatement strategy list (e.g., health care, primary care, pharmacies, PDMPs, etc.)</p> |                  |                            |
| <p>B. Medication-Assisted Treatment (“MAT”) Distribution and other opioid-related treatment</p> <p>G.5. Funding and training for first responders to participate in pre-arrest diversion programs, post-</p> | <p>A.5. Support mobile intervention, treatment, and recovery services, offered by qualified professionals and service providers, such as peer recovery coaches, for persons with OUD and any co-occurring SUD/MH conditions and for</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | Highlands County | \$1,155,017.04 (projected) |



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| <p>overdose response teams, or similar strategies that connect at-risk individuals to behavioral health services and supports.</p> | <p>persons who have experienced an opioid overdose.</p> <p>B.2. Provide the full continuum of care of treatment and recovery services for OUD and any co-occurring SUD/MH conditions, including supportive housing, peer support services and counseling, community navigators, case management, and connections to community-based services.</p> <p>H.11. Support mobile units that offer or provide referrals to harm reduction services, treatment, recovery supports, health care, or other appropriate services to persons that use opioids or persons with OUD and any co-occurring SUD/MH conditions.</p> <p>J.3. Invest in infrastructure or staffing at government or not-for-profit agencies to support collaborative, cross-system coordination with the purpose of preventing overprescribing, opioid misuse, or opioid overdoses, treating those with OUD and any co-occurring SUD/MH conditions, supporting them in treatment or recovery, connecting them to care, or implementing other strategies</p> |  |  |
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|  | <p>to abate the opioid epidemic described in this opioid abatement strategy list.</p> <p>K.2. Support infrastructure and staffing for collaborative cross-system coordination to prevent opioid misuse, prevent overdoses, and treat those with OUD and any co-occurring SUD/MH conditions, or implement other strategies to abate the opioid epidemic described in this opioid abatement strategy list (e.g., health care, primary care, pharmacies, PDMPs, etc.)</p> |  |  |
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Scope of Work and desired outcome:

1. Treatment - Purchase naloxone kits for Highlands County Fire Rescue. This will enable emergency medical personnel to effectively respond to medical situations where someone overdosing on opioids may present, by providing overdose patients with treatment that includes use of specialized Emergency Medical Services protocols for overdose.  
**Desired Outcome:** Improve emergency response by increasing availability and distribution of naloxone, improve treatment of opioid-related patients, reduce deaths by overdose, and prevent other harms. Increase number of individuals receiving treatment by increasing availability and distribution to underserved and at-risk communities to ensure access to opioid reversing drugs to all.
2. Prevention - Expand Training for first responders; The ability to respond to opioid overdose requires training and experience to avoid poor outcomes. Utilizing Opioid Settlement funds to support first responder training presents a strategic approach to combating the crisis. First responders play a crucial role in responding to opioid-related emergencies, administering life-saving treatments like naloxone to individuals experiencing overdoses. With comprehensive training, paramedics can better identify overdose cases, administer timely interventions, and potentially save lives in critical situations. A portion of the FY 2024 and 2025 Opioid Settlement funds will be used to contract for the provision of comprehensive, advanced training to Highlands County Fire Rescue personnel regarding appropriate practices, precautions, and handling of opioid-related incidents, including identification, advanced patient assessment techniques, how to administer naloxone, and how to identify and address trauma induced by OUD.

**Desired outcome:** Equip personnel with skills needed to respond to medical situations where someone overdosing on opioids may present, foster partnerships with surrounding law enforcement, fire rescue, public health agencies, and community organizations to ensure comprehensive and coordinated efforts.

3. Treatment Expansion - Support the work of emergency medical systems; Supply fire rescue with necessary equipment, including the most up-to-date equipment to exceed industry standards as it pertains to emergency overdoses. The ability to respond to an opioid overdose requires a comprehensive network of response resources strategically located within the jurisdiction. As the opioid epidemic has spread through Highlands County, emergency response resources have been stretched, straining available resources, creating a potential for delayed response due to a limited number of responding apparatus, and necessitating the need to add new ambulances and replace aging apparatus in the fleet. A portion of the FY 2023, 2024, and 2025 Opioid Settlement funds will be used to purchase one (1) Advanced Life Support Ambulance as an addition to Highlands County Fire Rescue's current response fleet to mitigate the increase in call volume related to opioid related events, and eighteen (18) combination cardiac monitor/defibrillator devices to improve resource availability and response times to these life-threatening events. Having access to these devices will allow first responders to perform many other life saving techniques such as medication administration, securing an airway and more. Accidental overdoses involving opioids are fairly common across the nation and due to the decrease in respiratory drive, a lot of cases end in cardiac arrest. Having the ability to utilize a clinically advanced, life-saving device will enable first responders to provide advanced and enhanced patient care by improving CPR performance by reducing pauses during chest compressions and assisting in diagnosing myocardial injury, among many other features these devices possess. The full continuum of care often begins with emergency response system and during the cycle may return to this system because of relapse related to some patients. Providing these response resources will enhance and improve this layer of continuum of care and continue as a vital part of the recovery cycle related to opioid addiction. The addition of these response resources will immediately provide an expansion of care and treatment to acute opioid related emergencies.

**Desired outcome:** Enhance public safety and mitigate the impact of the opioid crisis by better responding to increased calls for assistance/residents experiencing cardiac arrest as a result of an overdose, improve the overall public health landscape, improve emergency response, and connect individuals to treatment or other appropriate services following opioid overdose or other opioid-related adverse event.

**HIGHLANDS COUNTY  
COUNTY COMMISSION AGENDA ITEM**

**DATE OF ACTION REQUEST: December 17, 2024**

**PRESENTER: Dustin Fitch, Deputy Fire Chief**

**SUBJECT/TITLE: Replacing consent agenda item 8.H. on the regular agenda to Request adoption of Resolution 24-25-043 for Budget Amendment 24-25-025 to appropriate additional funds and purchase 18 new Lifepaks and Narcan from the Opioid Settlement Funds Project #23053.**

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**STATEMENT OF ISSUE**

Budget Amendment 24-25-025 will appropriate additional funds in the amount of \$508,500.00 to Project 23053 Opioid Settlement Funds and then transfer \$708,115.00 from Project 23053 to new Project 24031 EMS Lifepak Replacements for the purchase 18 new LP35 Lifepaks and Narcan with the trade-in of 13 LP15 Lifepaks for a credit of \$104,000.00 as well as a vendor discount in the amount of \$80,000.00.

**RECOMMENDED ACTION**

**Move to adopt Resolution 24-25-043 for Budget Amendment 24-25-025 to appropriate additional funds and purchase 18 new Lifepaks and Narcan from the Opioid Settlement Funds Project #23053.**

**FISCAL IMPACT**

Fiscal impact will be an increase to Fund 005 (General) in the amount of \$508,500.00 to Project 23053 which, along with \$137,042.00 that is already budgeted in this project, will be transferred to Project 24031. The total amount of \$708,115.00 is being appropriated in Cost Center 5105, Accounts 56400Z Project Equipment and 55200Z Project Operating Supplies in the amounts of \$704,815.00 and \$3,300.00, respectively for the purchase of 18 new LP35 Lifepaks and Narcan.

Attachments: [24-25-025 Xfer Fds from Proj 23053 Opioid Settlement Fds to Proj 24031 Lifepak Replacements \(BA\).pdf](#)

Attachments: [24-25-025R Xfer Fds from Proj 23053 Opioid Settlement Fds to Proj 24031 Lifepak Replacements \(Resolution\).pdf](#)

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

**December 5, 2024**

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
HIGHLANDS COUNTY FLORIDA

**BUDGET AMENDMENTS**

(Transfers over \$5,000 require Board approval)

DATE: 12/4/2024

SUBMITTED BY: R Taylor

FUND(S): 005 FUND TITLE(S): General COST CENTER(S) #: 5105  
PROJECT(S) #: 23053, 24031 PROJECT TITLE(S): Opiod Settlement Funds; EMS Lifepak Replacements COST CENTER TITLE(S): Emergency Medical Services/HCFR  
\*list additional cost centers on reverse side of form

| TYPE | FUND | COST CENTER | ACCOUNT  | ACCOUNT NAME                 | ACTIVITY | BUDGET     | INCREASE   | DECREASE   | REVISED BUDGET |
|------|------|-------------|----------|------------------------------|----------|------------|------------|------------|----------------|
| R    | 005  |             | 3469000Z | Other Human Svcs Chg Svc     | 23053    | 62,573.00  | 508,500.00 |            | 571,073.00     |
| R    | 005  |             | 3469000Z | Other Human Svcs Chg Svc     | 23053    | 571,073.00 |            | 571,073.00 | 0.00           |
| R    | 005  |             | 3999100Z | Project Fund Balance Forward | 23053    | 137,042.00 |            | 137,042.00 | 0.00           |
| R    | 005  |             | 3469000Z | Other Human Svcs Chg Svc     | 24031    | 0.00       | 708,115.00 |            | 708,115.00     |
| E    | 005  | 5105        | 56400Z   | Project Equipment            | 24031    | 0.00       | 704,815.00 |            | 704,815.00     |
| E    | 005  | 5105        | 55200Z   | Project Operating Supplies   | 24031    | 0.00       | 3,300.00   |            | 3,300.00       |
|      |      |             |          |                              |          |            |            |            | 0.00           |

REASON: To transfer funds from Project 23053 to new Project 24031 for the approved purchases of 18 Lifepak LP35 and Narcan.

**OFFICE USE ONLY**

OMB RECOMMENDATION:

REQUEST # 24-25-025

TRANSFER TYPE:

Approval

ACTION:

Board ☐ Approved ☐ Denied  
County Administrator ☐ Approved ☐ Denied

☐ ITEM TO ITEM  
☐ RESERVE  
☒ BY RESOLUTION  
☐ SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET

SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE:      /      /     

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Posted by Clerk: \_\_\_\_\_

**RESOLUTION NO. 24-25-043**

**A RESOLUTION OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA PERTAINING TO BUDGET AMENDMENT 24-25-025 TO THE GENERAL FUND; PROVIDING FOR LEGISLATIVE FINDINGS AND INTENT; PROVIDING FOR APPROVAL OF BUDGET AMENDMENT; PROVIDING FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIONS; PROVIDING A SAVINGS CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR SCRIVENER'S ERRORS; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**WHEREAS**, Florida Statutes, Section 129.06, (Execution and Amendment of Budget) provides that the Board of County Commissioners may by resolution amend its budget; and

**WHEREAS**, Highlands County has determined that the following budget amendment is necessary and proper within the Fire Assessment Fund.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA AS FOLLOWS:**

**SECTION 1. Legislative Findings and Intent.** Highlands County has complied with all requirements and procedures of Florida law in processing this Resolution. The above recitals are hereby adopted.

**SECTION 2. Approval of Budget Amendment.** Budget Amendment 24-25-025 is hereby approved and authorized to appropriate funding in the amount of \$708,115.00 for Project #24031 to provide funds needed to purchase EMS Lifepaks and Narcan meds.

**SECTION 3. Implementation of Administrative Actions.** The County Administrator is hereby authorized and directed to take such action as may be deemed necessary and appropriate in order to implement the provisions of this Resolution. The County Administrator may, as deemed appropriate, necessary and convenient, delegate the powers of implementation as herein set forth to such County employees as deemed effectual and prudent.

**SECTION 4. Savings Clause.** All prior actions of Highlands County pertaining to the budget amendment approved hereby, as well as any and all matters relating thereto, are hereby ratified and affirmed consistent with the provisions of this Resolution.

**SECTION 5.           Scrivener's Errors.** Typographical errors and other matters of a similar nature that do not affect the intent of this Resolution, as determined by the County Administrator and County Attorney, may be corrected.

**SECTION 6.           Conflicts.** All Resolutions or parts of Resolutions in conflict with any of the provisions of this Resolution are hereby repealed.

**SECTION 7.           Severability.** If any Section or portion of a Section of this Resolution proves to be invalid, unlawful, or unconstitutional, it shall not be held to invalidate or impair the validity, force, or effect of any other Section or part of this Resolution.

**SECTION 8.           Effective Date.** This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 17<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2024.

**HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA**

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Arlene Tuck, Chairwoman

ATTEST:

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Jerome Kaszubowski, Clerk of Court