

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

DATE: June 2, 2015

**AGENDA ITEM NO. \ **

Consent Agenda ☒

Regular Agenda ☐

Public Hearing ☐

County Administrator's Signature:

Subject:

Resolution in support of an Urban and Community Forestry Grant Application with the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services (FDACS).

Department:

Public Works

Staff Member Responsible:

Kelli Hammer Levy, Division Manager

Recommended Action:

I RECOMMEND THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS ADOPT THE PROPOSED RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF AN URBAN AND COMMUNITY FORESTRY GRANT APPLICATION WITH FDACS.

Summary Explanation/Background:

The proposed resolution is a necessary component of the grant application, which was approved by the County Administrator on April 29, 2015 in an effort to seek funding assistance from FDACS. This grant will help fund the enhancement of the urban forestry program in our community. Pinellas County Urban Forestry cares for the urban forest along all County roads and right-of-ways, including parks and preserves. The urban forest brings unique character to our communities and is an integral asset of our natural and built environment.

Fiscal Impact/Cost/Revenue Summary:

There is no fiscal impact to the County with the adoption of the proposed resolution. Should the \$30,000 grant funding be approved by FDACS, a Grant Memorandum of Agreement will be presented to the County for contract review and approval.

Exhibits/Attachments Attached:

Proposed Resolution

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RESOLUTION NO. 15-_____

A RESOLUTION OF THE PINELLAS COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT WITH THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND CONSUMER SERVICES; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Pinellas County Board of County Commissioners acknowledge that Pinellas County's urban forest areas bring unique character to our community and are an integral resource of our natural and built environment; and

WHEREAS, the Pinellas County Board of County Commissioners desires to apply for an Urban and Community Forestry Grant which would provide monies to help fund the County's Urban Forestry Program; and

WHEREAS, the Pinellas County Board of County Commissioners desires to enter into an Urban and Community Forestry Grant Memorandum of Agreement with the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of County Commissioners of Pinellas County, Florida, in their regular meeting, duly assembled this ____ day of _____, 2015, that this Board:

1. Supports the development of an inventory of County maintained trees.
2. Authorizes the County Administrator to enter into an Urban and Community Forestry Grant Memorandum of Agreement between Pinellas County and Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services.

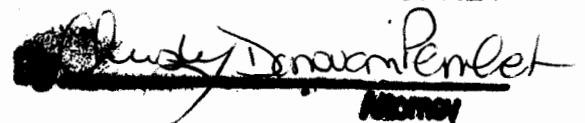
Commissioner _____ offered the foregoing Resolution and moved its adoption, which was seconded by Commissioner _____, and upon roll call the vote was:

AYES:

NAYS:

ABSENT AND NOT VOTING:

**APPROVED AS TO FORM
OFFICE OF COUNTY ATTORNEY**


Attorney