



BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

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County Commission Meeting
June 16, 2021
Agenda Item Number: Q.6
Agenda Item Summary #8374

BULK ITEM: No

DEPARTMENT: County Attorney's Office

TIME APPROXIMATE:
1:30 PUBLIC HEARING

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AGENDA ITEM WORDING: A Public Hearing to Consider Adoption of an Ordinance Amending Article II, Chapter 12, of the Monroe County Code of Ordinances, to Adopt the "Monroe County Ordinance for Florida-Friendly Fertilizer Use on Urban Landscapes" incorporating regulation of the use or application of fertilizers.

ITEM BACKGROUND: The proposed ordinance amends Article II, Chapter 12, of the Monroe County Code of Ordinances, by adopting the proposed "Monroe County Ordinance for Florida-Friendly Fertilizer Use on Urban Landscapes" in order to minimize the adverse environmental and land use-related effects of the misuse and overuse of fertilizer on landscapes within the unincorporated areas of the Florida Keys.

This ordinance will establish minimum standards for Monroe County to (1) regulate the proper application of fertilizer; (2) require proper training of commercial and institutional fertilizer applicators; (3) establish training and certification requirements; (4) establish a prohibited application period; and (5) specify allowable fertilizer application rates/methods, fertilizer-free zones, low maintenance zones, and exemptions.

The benefits to the community include the reduction in costs of fertilizer if overuse is curtailed, the potential cost savings (in taxpayer money) by reducing the need for expensive, large-scale mitigation of impaired water bodies, and the improved water quality of near-shore water bodies that would allow for safer and more enjoyable recreational, commercial, and tourism-related opportunities.

PREVIOUS RELEVANT BOCC ACTION:

5/19/21 – BOCC approved advertisement of a 6/16/21 public hearing to consider adoption of the proposed ordinance.

CONTRACT/AGREEMENT CHANGES:

N/A

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: Approval.

DOCUMENTATION:

Fertilizer Ordinance - Final
 Copy of Ad Published 5.29 and Proof of Advertising Request

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

Effective Date:
Expiration Date:

Total Dollar Value of Contract: N/A
Total Cost to County:
Current Year Portion:
Budgeted:
Source of Funds:
CPI:
Indirect Costs:
Estimated Ongoing Costs Not Included in above dollar amounts:

Revenue Producing: **If yes, amount:**
Grant:
County Match:
Insurance Required: N/A

Additional Details: N/A

N/A

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Bob Shillinger	Completed	06/08/2021 8:41 AM
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Board of County Commissioners	Pending	06/16/2021 9:00 AM



ORDINANCE NO. _____ - 2021

AN ORDINANCE OF THE MONROE COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS AMENDING CHAPTER 12 ("ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCE PROTECTION") OF THE MONROE COUNTY CODE OF ORDINANCES BY AMENDING ARTICLE II. ("RESERVED") TO ADOPT AND INCORPORATE REGULATION OF THE "USE OR APPLICATION OF FERTILIZERS", RELATING TO FLORIDA FRIENDLY FERTILIZER USE OR APPLICATION WITHIN UNINCORPORATED MONROE COUNTY; PROVIDING FOR DEFINITIONS, USE, TIMING OF FERTILIZER USE, CONTENT-BASED FERTILIZER APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR REPEAL OF CONFLICTING PROVISIONS INCONSISTENT HERewith; PROVIDING FOR INCORPORATION INTO THE CODE OF ORDINANCES; PROVIDING FOR TRANSMITTAL TO THE SECRETARY OF STATE; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners ("Board" or "BOCC") is the legislative body of Monroe County, Florida; and

WHEREAS, Monroe County has been designated an Area of Critical State Concern ("ACSC") pursuant to Florida Statute Section 380.0552;¹ and

WHEREAS, the waters surrounding the Florida Keys of Monroe County, Florida, are situated within the boundaries of the Florida Keys National Marine Sanctuary and have, since July 26, 2001, been designated a federal No Discharge Zone ("NDZ") by the United States Environmental Protection Agency pursuant to Title 40, Chapter I, Subchapter D, Part 140, Section 140.4(b)(1)(ii), as may be amended from time to time; and

WHEREAS, Monroe County Ordinance No. 14-2010, at Section 12-141 thereof, codified at Section 12-141 of Chapter 12 of the Monroe County Code of Ordinances (entitled "Environmental and Natural Resource Protection"), defines "County waters" as "[A]ny Monroe County waters, whether contained within boundaries naturally artificially, or diffused, including, but not limited to the Gulf, bays, canals, estuaries, and wetlands"; and

WHEREAS, County waters include those waters which are part of the State as being specified within Monroe County pursuant to Section 7.44, Florida Statutes, and Article II, Section 1, Constitution of the State of Florida (Rev. 1968), waters out to three marine leagues, or waters in the immediate vicinity of county reefs"; *see also* Section 7.44, Florida Statutes ("So much of the State of Florida as is situated south of the County of Collier and west or south of the County of Miami-Dade, constitutes the County of Monroe."); and

WHEREAS, Section 403.9337(2), Florida Statutes,² enacted pursuant to Chapter 2009-199, Laws of Florida,³ provides that "[e]ach county and municipal government located within the watershed of a water body or

¹ Also known as the "Florida Keys Area Protection Act." Fla. Stat. § 380.0552(1).

² Enacted pursuant to Chapter 2009-199, Laws of Florida.

³ Approved by the Governor of Florida on June 18th, 2009, and legally effective as of July 1st, 2009.

water segment that is listed as impaired by nutrients pursuant to s. 403.067, shall, at a minimum, adopt the Department's Model Ordinance for Florida-Friendly use on Urban Landscapes"; and

WHEREAS, Section 403.9337(2)(a)-(b), Florida Statutes, provides that "A local government may adopt additional or more stringent standards than the model ordinance if the following criteria are met: The local government has demonstrated, as part of a comprehensive program to address nonpoint sources of nutrient pollution which is science-based, and economically and technically feasible, that additional or more stringent standards than the model ordinance are necessary in order to adequately address urban fertilizer contributions to nonpoint source nutrient loading to a water body. The local government documents that it has considered all relevant scientific information, including input from the department, the institute, the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, and the University of Florida Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences, if provided, on the need for additional or more stringent provisions to address fertilizer use as a contributor to water quality degradation. All documentation must become part of the public record before adoption of the additional or more stringent criteria"; and

WHEREAS, the quality of fresh and salt water bodies, wetlands, mangroves, seagrass(es), and other natural, native features of Monroe County, is critical to the environmental, economic, and recreational prosperity of Monroe County, and to the health, safety, and welfare of the residents of and visitors to Monroe County; and

WHEREAS, fertilizer contains nutrients like nitrogen and phosphorus, which are components of landscape fertilizers, and are known to be captured in runoff that is deposited in Monroe County nearshore waters and waterways; and

WHEREAS, the amount of fertilizer used or applied to a given landscape and the method of use or application have potential for creating adverse nutrient pollution; and

WHEREAS, Monroe County's natural and artificial stormwater and drainage conveyances regulate the flow of stormwater to prevent or mitigate flooding; and

WHEREAS, surface water runoff and base flow runoff flows from residential, commercial, and industrial developments, and other lands of Monroe County, enter(s) into natural and artificial stormwater and drainage conveyances and natural water bodies in Monroe County; and

WHEREAS, leaching and runoff of nutrients from improper or excessive fertilizer use or application contributes to nitrogen and phosphorus loading in Monroe County's stormwater and drainage conveyances and natural water bodies; and

WHEREAS, the detrimental effects of nutrient-laden runoff are magnified in a coastal or island community such as Monroe County, due to the proximity of stormwater and drainage conveyances to nearshore waters; and

WHEREAS, the Board finds and recognizes that excessive and improper use or application of fertilizers can contribute to water quality issues and can lead to water quality degradation; and

WHEREAS, Monroe County has demonstrated, as part of a comprehensive program to address nonpoint sources of nutrient pollution, that this ordinance is appropriate to address adverse fertilizer contributions to nonpoint source nutrient loading to local water bodies; and

WHEREAS, in the process of adoption of this ordinance, the Monroe County Board of County Commissioners has considered all relevant scientific information, including but not limited to:

- 98 • February 17th, 2021 Regular BOCC Meeting: “Discussion and direction on whether the County
- 99 should adopt an ordinance regulating the use of fertilizers within the County”⁴
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- 101 ○ Presentation by Kelly Cox, Esq., of Miami Waterkeeper, a not-for-profit business
- 102 organization;
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- 104 ■ Public comment by Emma Haydocy, on behalf of Florida Bay Forever Save Our
- 105 Waters, Inc., a Florida not-for-profit corporation, in her capacity as a Director of
- 106 Florida Bay Forever Save Our Waters, Inc.;
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- 108 ■ Public comment by Dorothy “Dottie” Moses, on behalf of the Island of Key Largo
- 109 Federation of Homeowner Associations, Inc., a Florida not-for-profit corporation;
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111 **WHEREAS**, the regulation of nutrients, including both phosphorus and nitrogen contained in fertilizer, is

112 an important step in maintaining and improving water and habitat quality in Monroe County; and

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114 **WHEREAS**, the Monroe County Board of County Commissioners finds that this Ordinance is necessary

115 to advance the County’s valid public and environmental health, safety, and welfare police power interests;

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117 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF**

118 **MONROE COUNTY, FLORIDA:**

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120 **SECTION 1. - Recitals and Legislative Intent.** The foregoing recitals and statements of legislative

121 intent are true and correct and are hereby incorporated as if fully stated herein.

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123 **SECTION 2. - Title.** This Ordinance shall be titled the “Monroe County Ordinance for Florida-Friendly

124 Fertilizer Use on Urban Landscapes.”

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126 **SECTION 3. - Creation.** That Chapter 12 of the Monroe County Code of Ordinances, entitled

127 “Environment and Natural Resources Protection,” is hereby amended to create Article II., entitled “Use or

128 Application of Fertilizers,” as follows:

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130 **ARTICLE II. - USE OR APPLICATION OF FERTILIZERS**

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132 **Section 12-25. Jurisdiction; Administration.** This Article shall exclusively apply in unincorporated

133 Monroe County, Florida, only, and does not apply within the territorial jurisdiction of any municipality within the

134 county.

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136 **Section 12-26. Purpose and Intent.** This Article regulates the proper use of fertilizers by any applicator

137 and requires proper training of commercial and institutional fertilizer applicators and landscape maintenance

138 companies by establishing a restricted season for fertilizer application, fertilizer-free zones, low maintenance

139 zones, exemptions, training, and certification requirements. The Article requires the use of best management

140 practices which provide specific management guidelines to minimize negative secondary and cumulative

141 environmental effects associated with the misuse of fertilizers and improper landscape maintenance practices.

142 These secondary and cumulative effects have been observed in and on Monroe County’s natural and artificial

143 stormwater and drainage conveyances, lakes, canals, estuaries, interior freshwater wetlands, and Monroe County

144 writ large. Collectively, these water bodies are an asset critical to the environmental, recreational, cultural and

145 economic well-being of residents of and visitors to Monroe County and the health of the public. Regulation of

146 nutrients, including both phosphorus and nitrogen contained in fertilizer, shall help improve and maintain water

147 and habitat quality throughout Monroe County.

⁴ Agenda item N.10 at the Board’s February 17th, 2021, regular meeting.

Section 12-27. Construction and Interpretation. This Article is necessary for the health, safety, and welfare of the residents of and visitors to the county. This Article shall be liberally construed to effect the public purpose(s) hereof. Interpretation of this Article shall be construed in favor of Monroe County, and such construction and interpretation shall be entitled to great weight in adversarial administrative proceedings, at trial, in bankruptcy, and on appeal. To the extent of any conflict between this Article and other Monroe County ordinances or regulations, and to the extent of any conflict within sections within this Article, the more restrictive is deemed to be controlling.

Section 12-28. Definitions. The phrases, terms, and words used in this Article shall be, except as specifically defined otherwise herein, the same as they have been defined in the Monroe County Code of Ordinances and in the Monroe County Land Development Code. The following terms shall have the following specific definitions as used herein, unless the context clearly indicates otherwise:

Application or Apply, or variants thereof. Shall mean the actual physical deposit of fertilizer to turf, specialized turf, or landscape plants.

Applicator. Shall mean any natural or legal person who applies fertilizer on turf, specialized turf, or landscape plants in Monroe County. The term includes but is not limited to persons, commercial fertilizer applicators and institutional applicators.

Best management practices or BMP. Shall mean turf and landscape practices, or a combination of practices, based upon peer-reviewed research, field-testing, and expert review, determined to be the most effective and practicable on-location means, including economic and technological considerations, for improving water quality, conserving water supplies, and protecting natural resources, and which minimize the negative environmental impacts of installation and maintenance of landscapes.

Best Management Practices Training Program. Shall mean a training program approved pursuant to Florida Statute Section 403.9338, or any more stringent requirements set forth in this Article, that includes the most current version of the Florida Department of Environmental Protection's "Florida-Friendly Best Management Practices for Protection of Water Resources by the Green Industries, 2008".

Commercial fertilizer applicator. Shall mean any natural or legal person who applies fertilizer in Monroe County, on property not owned by the person applying the fertilizer, or by the employer of the applicator, in exchange for money, goods, services, or other valuable consideration.

Fertilizer. Shall mean any substance or mixture of substances that contains one or more recognized plant nutrients and promotes plant growth, or controls soil acidity or alkalinity, or provides other soil enrichment, or provides other corrective measures to the soil. The term includes granular, liquid, rapid-release and slow or controlled release fertilizer.

Fertilize, fertilizing, or fertilization. Shall mean the act of applying fertilizer to turf, specialized turf, trees, or landscape plants.

Fertilizer-Free Zone. Shall mean within twenty (20) feet from the seawall, riprap or bank or shoreline of any surface water of Monroe County and any storm drain, pond, stream, waterway, lake, canal, or wetland.

Florida-Friendly Landscaping. Shall mean quality, low-maintenance landscapes that conserve water, protect the environment, are adaptable to local conditions, and are drought tolerant. The principles of such landscaping include planting the right plant in the right place, efficient watering, responsible and appropriate fertilization, responsible and appropriate mulching, responsible and appropriate attraction of wildlife, responsible and appropriate management of yard pests, recycling yard waste, reduction of stormwater runoff, and waterfront

protection. Additional components include practices such as landscape planning and design, soil analysis, the appropriate use of solid waste compost and minimizing the use of irrigation, pesticides, and fertilizers.

Granular. Shall mean composed of small grains or particles.

Green infrastructure. Shall mean a management approach engineered-as-natural ecosystems such as green roofs, porous pavement, swales and rain gardens that largely rely on using soil and vegetation to infiltrate, evapotranspire, or responsibly and appropriately utilize stormwater runoff and reduce flows to drainage collection systems. This practice aims to preserve, restore, and create green space using soils, vegetation, and rainwater harvest techniques.

Guaranteed analysis. Shall mean the percentage of plant nutrients or measures of neutralizing capability claimed to be present in a fertilizer.

High-impact areas in parks. Shall mean turf grass areas that are heavily utilized by pedestrian traffic year-round.

Institutional applicator. Shall mean any natural or legal person, other than a non-commercial or commercial applicator, that applies fertilizer for the purpose of maintaining turf or landscape plants. Institutional applicators shall include, but shall not be limited to, owners, managers, employees, or agents of residential properties maintained in community associations such as a condominium association, a homeowners' association, or a property owners' association, residential properties maintained in common ownership, industrial, commercial, or business sites, educational, religious institutions, and the like.

Landscape plant. Shall mean any native or exotic tree, shrub, or groundcover (excluding turf).

Landscape maintenance. Shall mean activities carried out to manage and maintain landscape plants including but not limited to mowing, edging, and trimming.

Low impact development (LID). Shall refer to systems and practices that use or mimic natural processes that result in the infiltration, evapotranspiration, or use of stormwater in order to protect water quality and associated aquatic habitat. LID is an approach to land development or redevelopment that works with nature to manage stormwater as close to its source as possible.

Low maintenance buffer or Low maintenance zone. Shall mean an area a minimum of ten (10) feet wide adjacent to water courses which is planted to capture and treat stormwater and is designed to capture and treat stormwater and is designed to not require fertilization, watering, mowing, etc.

Organic fertilizers. Shall mean fertilizers that are derived from living materials, excluding biosolids. Examples of organic fertilizers include but are not limited to animal manures, composted materials, and plant residues. Organic fertilizers are usually considered to be "slow release" fertilizers because many of the nutrients must be broken down by soil microbes before they become available for plant uptake.

Person. Shall mean any natural or legal person, including but not limited to any human being, business, corporation, limited liability company, partnership, sole proprietorship, association, club, organization, or any group of people acting as an organized entity.

Rapid (quick) release or water-soluble nitrogen. Shall mean any product containing, including but not limited to:

- (1) Ammonium nitrate;
- (2) Ammonium sulfate;

- (3) Calcium nitrate;
- (4) Diammonium phosphate;
- (5) Monoammonium phosphate;
- (6) Potassium nitrate;
- (7) Sodium nitrate;
- (8) Urea (not in the form of slow release nitrogen); or
- (9) Others as may be designated by the Association of American Plant Food Control Officials.

Restricted Season. Shall mean May 15 through October 31, as well as during the time period during which a flood watch or flood warning, or a tropical storm watch or tropical storm warning, or a hurricane watch or hurricane warning, regardless of the time of year, is in effect for any portion of unincorporated Monroe County, or in any area of unincorporated Monroe County if heavy rain is likely or ongoing.

Saturated soil. Shall mean a soil in which the voids are filled with water. Saturation does not require flow. For the purposes of this Article, soils shall be considered saturated if standing water is present or if the pressure of a person standing on or an object lying on the soil causes the release of free water.

Site supervisor. Shall mean the direct supervisor of landscape maintenance personnel.

Slow release, controlled release, timed release, or water insoluble nitrogen. Shall mean nitrogen in a form which delays its availability for plant uptake and use after application, or which extends its availability to the plant longer than a reference rapid or quick release product. Forms of slow release, controlled release, slowly available, or water insoluble nitrogen include but are not limited to:

- (1) Isobutylidene diurea (“IBDU”);
- (2) Resin, polymer, or sulphur coated urea;
- (3) Biosolids or residuals from domestic wastewater treatment;
- (4) Ureaformaldehyde;
- (5) Composted animal manure;
- (6) Others as may be designated by the Association of American Plant Food Control Officials.

Slow or controlled release fertilizer. Shall mean a fertilizer containing a plant nutrient in a form which delays its availability for plant uptake and use after application, or which extends its availability to the plant significantly longer than a referenced “rapidly available nutrient fertilizer”.

Specialized turf. Shall mean areas of grass used for athletic fields, golf course practice, recreational or play areas, athletic fields, and other similar activities.

Specialized turf manager. Shall mean a person responsible for fertilizing or directing the fertilization of specialized turf.

Surface water. Shall mean fresh, brackish, saline, or tidal waters, contained in bounds created naturally or artificially, including but not limited to bays, creeks, ditches, estuaries, impoundments, lagoons, lakes, ponds, rivers, springs, streams, wetlands, water bodies, and including but not limited to canals, whether located in or on the Atlantic Ocean side of Monroe County or in or on the Florida Bay or Gulf of Mexico side of Monroe County.

Turf, sod, or lawn. Shall mean a piece of grass-covered soil held together by the roots of the grass.

Urban landscape. Shall mean pervious areas on residential, commercial, industrial, institutional, rights-of-way, or on other lands that are planted with turf or horticultural plants.

Section 12-29. Timing of Fertilizer Use.

- (a) No applicator shall apply fertilizers containing nitrogen or phosphorus, or both, to turf or landscape plants during a restricted season.
- (b) Fertilizer shall only be applied to actively growing turf and plants and not to saturated soil.
- (c) Fertilizer containing nitrogen or phosphorus, or both, shall not be applied before seeding or sodding a site and shall not be applied for the first 30 days after seeding or sodding except when hydroseeding for temporary or permanent erosion control in an appropriate emergency situation (e.g., wildfire, etc.) or in accordance with the stormwater pollution plan for that site.

Section 12-30. Fertilizer-Free Zones.

- (a) Except as provided in subsection (b) immediately below, fertilizer shall not be applied within twenty (20) feet of any breakwater, bulkhead, bulwark, canal, dock, pier, revetment, rip-rap, wharf, or within twenty (20) feet of any seawall, or within twenty (20) feet of any altered or unaltered shoreline, or within twenty (20) feet of any surface water. In the event of a conflict, the greater extent of distance shall control. By way of example, therefore, if an area is not within twenty (20) feet of a surface water, but is within twenty (20) feet of a breakwater, bulkhead, bulwark, canal, dock, pier, revetment, rip-rap, wharf, seawall, etc., the fact of such area's falling within twenty (20) feet of such breakwater, bulkhead, bulwark, canal, dock, pier, revetment, rip-rap, wharf, seawall, etc., shall prohibit fertilizer from being applied in such area.
- (b) Spreader deflector shields are required when fertilizing adjacent to all impervious surfaces, any fertilizer-free zones, low maintenance buffer or low maintenance zones, surface waters, and water-bodies, including but not limited to wetlands.
- (c) Newly planted turf and landscape plants may be fertilized within a fertilizer-free zone only for a sixty (60) day period beginning thirty (30) days after planting, if needed, to allow the plants to become well established and caution is used to prevent direct deposition of nutrients into the water.

Section 12-31. Fertilizer Content and Use Rates.

- (a) Fertilizers applied to turf or landscape plants within the unincorporated county shall be applied to such turf or landscape plants at the lowest recommended rate according to the "Florida Green Industries Best Management Practices for Protection of Water Resources in Florida, December 2008", with no more than two (2) pounds of nitrogen per one-thousand (1,000) square feet applied in any calendar year.
- (b) Liquid fertilizers containing nitrogen shall not be applied to turf or landscape plants within the unincorporated county.
- (c) Granular fertilizers containing nitrogen applied to turf or landscape plants within the unincorporated county shall contain at least 50% slow release, controlled release, timed release, slowly available, or water insoluble nitrogen per guaranteed analysis label. Caution should be used to prevent direct deposition of nutrients in the water.
- (d) Fertilizers containing nitrogen or phosphorus, or both, applied to turf or landscape plants within the unincorporated county, shall contain not less than sixty-five percent (65%) slow release, controlled release, timed release, slowly available, or water insoluble nitrogen per guaranteed analysis label. Caution should be used to prevent direct deposition of nutrients in the water.

- (e) Except as provided in paragraphs (a)-(d) of this section, fertilizers applied to turf and landscape plants within the county shall be formulated and applied in accordance with requirements and directions provided by Florida Administrative Code Rule 5E-1.003(4) ("Labeling Requirements for Urban Turf Fertilizers"). Stated otherwise, Applicators shall not apply fertilizer in violation of said fertilizer label directions.
- (f) Fertilizer containing nitrogen or phosphorus, or both, shall not be applied before seeding or sodding a site and shall not be applied for the first thirty (30) days after seeding or sodding, except when hydroseeding for temporary or permanent erosion control in an emergency situation (e.g., saltwater floods, etc.), or in accordance with the Stormwater Pollution Plan for that site.
- (g) No more than 0.50 lb. of readily available nitrogen per 1,000 square feet shall be applied to any turf or landscape area in one application or use. This includes no more than one (1) pound total nitrogen per one thousand (1,000) square feet applied at any one time of granular fertilizer and no more than one half pound of nitrogen per 1,000 square foot area per application of liquid fertilizer.
- (h) Phosphorus fertilizer shall not be applied to turf or landscape plants unless a soil deficiency has been verified by an approved test. Where a deficiency has been professionally verified by an approved test, phosphorus fertilizer shall not be applied at application rates that exceed 0.25 lbs. of phosphorus per 1,000 square feet per application and not to exceed 0.50 lbs. of phosphorus per 1,000 square feet per year.
- (i) Where fertilizer application or use is not described in this Article, fertilizer shall be applied in accordance with the requirements and directions provided by Florida Administrative Code Rule 5E-1.003 for turf and as found in UF/IFAS recommendations for landscape plants, vegetable gardens, fruit trees, and shrubs.

Section 12-32. Fertilizer Use Practices.

- (a) No person shall apply fertilizers containing nitrogen or phosphorus, or both, to turf or landscape plants during the restricted season.
- (b) Spreader deflector shields are required when fertilizing via rotary (broadcast) spreaders. Deflectors must be positioned such that fertilizer granules are deflected away from all impervious surfaces, any fertilizer-free zones, low maintenance buffer or low maintenance zones, surface waters, and water-bodies, including but not limited to wetlands.
- (c) Fertilizer shall not be applied, spilled, or otherwise deposited on any impervious surfaces.
- (d) Any fertilizer applied, spilled, or deposited, either intentionally or accidentally, on any impervious surface shall be immediately and completely removed to the greatest extent practicable.
- (e) Fertilizer released on an impervious surface must be immediately contained and either lawfully applied to turf or any other site or returned to the original or other appropriate container.
- (f) In no case shall fertilizer be washed, swept, or blown off impervious surfaces into any surface water or into any low maintenance or fertilizer-free zone or into any water-bodies or stormwater or drainage drain or drainage conveyance.
- (g) In no case shall fertilizer be washed, swept, or blown off or around trunks of palms or tree wells or in tree pits.

Section 12-33. Exceptions.

- (a) Sections 12-29, 12-30, 12-31, and 12-32 shall not be applicable to:
1. Golf courses. For all existing public and private golf courses, the provisions of the Florida Department of Environmental Protection document, titled “BMPs for the Enhancement of Environmental Quality on Florida Golf Courses, January 2012”, and provisions set forth in Section 12-34 are required, and shall be followed when applying fertilizer to golf courses.
 2. High impact areas in existing public parks and public athletic fields. Specialized turf managers are required to follow the provisions of the “Florida Green Industries Best Management Practices for Protection of Water Resources in Florida, December 2008”, for Turf and Landscape Plants, and provisions set forth in Section 12-34.
 3. Fruit trees and fruit shrubs, provided that fertilizer application rates do not exceed University of Florida (UF)/Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences (IFAS) maximum recommendations.
 4. Yard waste compost, mulches, or other similar materials that are primarily organic in nature and are applied to improve the physical condition of the soil.
 5. Tree trunk injection fertilization treatments that are performed by a certified arborist.
- (b) Sections 12-29, 12-30, 12-31, and 12-32, shall not be applicable to the extent expressly preempted by general law.

Section 12-34. Golf Courses, Athletic Fields, Specialized Turf, and Greenspace Requirements.

- (a) All new public and private golf course greens and all renovated golf course greens, provided their renovation exceeds 50% of its total area, shall meet all of the following requirements:
1. Incorporate Best Management Practices as defined in the “Best Management Practices for the Enhancement of Environmental Quality on Florida Golf Courses”, published by the Florida Department of Environmental Protection.
 2. Provide the use of native or Florida-friendly trees, shrubs, and ground cover landscaping in more than 80% of the total areas designated for non-play.
 3. Specify a certified turfgrass groundcover species for all play areas that require(s) the least amount of fertilizer and water consumption.
 4. Incorporate the use of green infrastructure elements and/or low impact development (LID) design in the design of the golf course’s drainage system and in allowing ample, uncompacted areas for tree root growth.
 5. Provide a minimum (10) foot low-maintenance buffer adjacent to surface water(s), breakwater(s), bulkhead(s), bulwark, canal, dock, pier, revetment, rip-rap, wharf, seawall, and stormwater or drainage drain or drainage conveyance, including but not limited to stormwater or drainage inlets.
- (b) All new athletic fields and all renovated athletic fields, provided their renovation exceeds 50% of its total area, shall meet all of the following requirements:

1. Incorporate Best Management Practices for landscaping by including the use of native and Florida-friendly trees, shrubs, and ground cover landscaping.
 2. Incorporate the use of green infrastructure elements and/or low impact development (LID) design in the design of the field's drainage system and in allowing ample, uncompacted areas for tree root growth.
 3. Include at minimum a ten (10) foot low-maintenance buffer adjacent to surface water(s), breakwater(s), bulkhead(s), bulwark, canal, dock, pier, revetment, rip-rap, wharf, seawall, and stormwater or drainage drain or drainage conveyance, including but not limited to stormwater or drainage inlets.
- (c) Requests for exceptions to from the requirements set forth in Sections 12-34(a) or (b) shall be submitted in writing, on a form prescribed and approved by the County Administrator, or his or her designee, detailing the project's design and details, demonstrating that good faith effort has been made to achieve substantial compliance with all applicable requirements, and explaining what non-self-created-hardship would be incurred if a proposed exception is not granted. The County Administrator or his or her designee shall have discretion to administratively approve or reject exception requests on a case-by-case basis.
- (d) Fertilizers applied to private parks, specialized turf, including athletic fields and high impact or high intensity areas within the unincorporated county shall be formulated and applied in accordance with requirements and directions provided by Florida Administrative Code Rule 5E-1.003(b)(b).
- (e) Fertilizers applied to turf and landscape plants within the unincorporated county shall be formulated and applied in accordance with requirements and directions provided by Florida Administrative Code Rule 5E-1.003(4) (Labeling for Urban Turf Fertilizers). Stated otherwise, Applicators shall not apply fertilizer in violation of said fertilizer label directions.

Section 12-35. Certification and Best Management Practices Training Programs.

- (a) All commercial and institutional applicators within or doing work in the unincorporated county shall obtain the limited certification for urban landscape fertilizer application provided for under Florida Statute Section 482.1562, within 365 days of adoption of this Article, or within 90 days of initial employment, whichever occurs later. Such applicators are required to keep a copy of such certificate with them during application activities and shall present the certificate to Monroe County, upon request.
- (b) All commercial and institutional applicators of fertilizer within the unincorporated county shall abide by and successfully complete the six-hour training program in the "Florida-Friendly Best Management Practices for Protection of Water Resources by the Green Industries" offered by the Florida Department of Environmental Protection through the UF/IFAS program. Completion of this training program shall be repeated a minimum of once every five years.
- (c) Persons are encouraged to follow the recommendations of the UF/IFAS Florida Yards and Neighborhoods program when applying fertilizers.
- (d) All Applicators or Specialized turf managers of fertilizer shall abide by and successfully complete the "Florida Golf Course Best Management Practices Certification Training" offered by the University of Florida. Completion of this training program shall be repeated a minimum of once every five years.
- (e) Monroe County strongly recommends the establishment of training programs using both English-speaking and Spanish-speaking certified Best Management Practice (BMP) trainers.

Section 12-36. Training of Commercial Applicators.

- (a) All commercial applicators of fertilizers within the unincorporated county should abide by and successfully complete training and continuing education requirements in the “Florida-Friendly Best Management Practices for Protection of Water Resources by the Green Industries” offered by the Florida Department of Environmental Protection through the UF/IFAS “Florida-Friendly Landscapes” program prior to obtaining a local tax receipt for any category of occupation which may apply any fertilizer to turf or landscape plants.
- (b) All businesses applying fertilizer to turf or landscape plants (including but not limited to residential lawns, golf courses, commercial properties, and multi-family and properties maintained in one or more community association(s), must ensure that at least one employee has an appropriate “Florida-Friendly Best Management Practices for Protection of Water Resources by the Green Industries” training certification prior to the business owner obtaining a business tax receipt.

Section 12-37. Enforcement and Penalties.

- (a) *Violations.* Violations of this Article may be prosecuted by original county or circuit court action, or under Chapter 162, Florida Statutes, administratively, at law, and in equity, as may be necessary to enforce compliance with this Article, and to collect damages in the form of costs and/or fines authorized by law.
- (b) *Injunctive Relief.* The County Attorney is authorized to prosecute violations of this Article by civil action, including but not limited to injunctive relief.
- (c) *Units of Prosecution.* Each incidence of a violation under this Article constitutes a separate violation and offense, and a separate violation and offense will be deemed committed each day during or on which a violation occurs or continues.
- (d) *Joint-and-Several Liability.* All owners, part owners, joint owners, tenants-in-common, tenants in partnership, joint tenants, tenants by the entirety, lessees, sub-lessees, assignees, sub-assignees, and holder(s) of legal or beneficial title to or interest in a business organization and/or property and/or violator held in violation of this Article, shall be jointly-and-severally liable with respect to any legal or equitable judgment or relief obtained against it to enforce this Article.
- (e) *Costs.* Any court of competent jurisdiction, administrative hearing officer, the Monroe County Code Compliance Special Magistrate, are authorized to impose against violator(s) of this Article any costs associated with cessation and/or remediation of a violation(s) of this Article.
- (f) *No Waiver or Estoppel.* It being that Monroe County possesses discretion to enforce this Article, its delay or failure to enforce any provision contained in this Article, however long continued, shall not be deemed a waiver or estoppel of the right for it to enforce this Article at any time thereafter.
- (g) *Attorneys’ Fees and Costs.* If the County prevails in an enforcement action against a person found to be in violation of this article, the County shall be entitled to recover its costs of investigation, attorneys’ fees and other costs to the extent permitted by law.

Section 12-38. Provisions to Be Cumulative. This Article is cumulative to any other substantive laws, ordinances, regulations, and rules, and is cumulative to any enforcement procedure that those laws, ordinances, regulations, and rules may provide. This Article does not supersede or repeal or otherwise modify those laws, ordinances, regulations, rules, or enforcement procedures thereunder in any way.

Monroe County may elect to take any or all remedies concurrently, and the pursuit of one does not preclude the pursuit of another.

SECTION 4. - Inconsistency, Partial Invalidity, Severability, and Survival of Provisions. This Article shall be applied within the unincorporated limits of the county to the extent not subject to preemption to the State of Florida. If any provision of this ordinance Article, or any portion thereof, is held to be invalid or unenforceable in or by any administrative hearing officer or court of competent jurisdiction, the invalidity or unenforceability of such provision, or any portion thereof, shall neither limit nor impair the operation, enforceability, or validity of any other provision of this Article, or any remaining portion(s) thereof. All other provisions of this Article, and remaining portion(s) thereof, shall continue unimpaired in full force and effect.

SECTION 5. - Repeal of Inconsistent Provisions. All ordinances or parts of ordinance in conflict with this ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of said conflict. The repeal of an ordinance herein shall not repeal the repealing clause of such ordinance or revive any ordinance which has been repealed thereby.

SECTION 6. - Captions and Paragraph Headings. Captions and paragraph headings, where used herein, are inserted for convenience only and are not intended to descriptively limit the scope and intent of the particular paragraph or text to which they refer.

SECTION 7. - Inclusion in the Monroe County Code of Ordinances. The provisions of this ordinance shall be included and incorporated into the Code of Ordinances of Monroe County, Florida and shall be numbered to conform with the uniform numbering system of the Code.

SECTION 8. - Effective Date. This ordinance shall be filed in the Office of the Secretary of the State of Florida and shall become effective as provided by law.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of County Commissioners of Monroe County, Florida at a regular meeting held on the ____ day of _____, 2021.

Mayor Michelle Coldiron _____

Mayor *pro tem* David Rice _____

Commissioner Craig Cates _____

Commissioner Mike Forster _____

Commissioner Eddie Martinez _____

MONROE COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Attest: KEVIN MADOK, CLERK

By: _____
As Deputy Clerk

By: _____
Mayor Michelle Coldiron

MONROE COUNTY ATTORNEY
APPROVED AS TO FORM

PETER MORRIS
ASSISTANT COUNTY ATTORNEY

Date: 6/7/21

WORLD

Plague of destructive mice tormenting Australians

BY ROD MCGUIRK
The Associated Press

BOGAN GATE, Australia — At night, the floors of sheds vanish beneath carpets of scampering mice. Ceilings come alive with the sounds of scratching. One family blamed mice chewing electrical wires for their house burning down.

Vast tracts of land in Australia's New South Wales state are being threatened by a mouse plague that the state government describes as "absolutely unprecedented." Just how many millions of rodents have infested the agricultural plains across the state is guesswork.

"We're at a critical point now where if we don't significantly reduce the number of mice that are in plague proportions by spring, we are facing an absolute economic and social crisis in rural and



RICK RYCROFT/The Associated Press

Mice scurry around stored grain on a farm near Tottenham, Australia on May 19.

regional New South Wales," Agriculture Minister Adam Marshall said this month.

Bruce Barnes said he is taking a gamble by planting crops on his family farm near the central New South Wales town of Bogan Gate.

"We just sow and hope," he said.

The risk is that the mice will maintain their numbers through the Southern Hemisphere winter and

devour the wheat, barley and canola before it can be harvested.

NSW Farmers, the state's top agricultural association, predicts the plague will wipe more than 1 billion Australian dollars (\$775 million) from the value of the winter crop.

The state government has

ordered 5,000 liters (1,320 gallons) of the banned poison Bromadiolone from India. The federal government regulator has yet to approve emergency applications to use the poison on the perimeters of crops. Critics fear the poison will kill not only mice but also animals that feed on them, including wedge-tail eagles and family pets.

"We're having to go down this path because we need something that is super strength, the equivalent of napalm to just blast these mice into oblivion," Marshall said.

The plague is a cruel blow to farmers in Australia's most populous state who have been battered by fires, floods and pandemic disruptions in recent years, only to face

the new scourge of the introduced house mouse, or Mus musculus.

The same government-commissioned advisers who have helped farmers cope with the drought, fire and floods are returning to help people deal with the stresses of mice.

The worst comes after dark, when millions of mice that had been hiding and dormant during the day become active.


By day, the crisis is less apparent. Patches of road are dotted with squashed mice from the previous night, but birds soon take the carcasses away. Haystacks are disintegrating due to ravenous rodents that have burrowed deep inside. Upending a sheet of scrap metal lying in

a paddock will send a dozen mice scurrying. The sidewalks are strewn with dead mice that have eaten poisonous bait.

But a constant, both day and night, is the stench of mice urine and decaying flesh. The smell is people's greatest gripe.

"You deal with it all day. You're out baiting, trying your best to manage the situation, then come home and just the stench of dead mice," said Jason Conn, a fifth generation farmer near Wellington in central New South Wales.

"They're in the roof cavity of your house. If your house is not well sealed, they're in bed with you. People are getting bitten in bed," Conn said. "It doesn't relent, that's for sure."



City of Key West, FL

Tree Commission

City Hall
1300 White Street
Key West FL 33040

Monday, June 7, 2021	5:00 PM	City Hall
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ADA Assistance: It is the policy of the City of Key West to comply with all requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). Please call the TTY number 1-800-955-8771 or for voice 1-800-955-8770 or the ADA Coordinator at 305-809-3811 at least five business days in advance for sign language interpreters, assistive listening devices, or materials in accessible format.

ALL VISUAL PRESENTATIONS (POWER POINT ONLY) FOR AGENDA ITEMS MUST BE RECEIVED IN THE CITY CLERK'S OFFICE (24) TWENTY-FOUR HOURS PRIOR TO THE MEETING. You may attend/participate virtually by telephoning: 1-301-715-8592 Meeting ID: 867 5298 1320 Passcode: 132520 or online at https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86752981320 Passcode: 132520

Call Meeting To Order

Roll Call

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

Approval of Agenda

Approval of Minutes

1	May 11, 2021
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Action Items

2	1609 & 1613 Duncan Street/T2021-0075/Luanne Doughtry & William James Andrews II Requesting clarification regarding mitigation requirements on issued tree removal permit.
3	1219 Eliza Street/T2021-0108/Mark & Judy Tomczak and the City of Key West Represented by: Kenneth King Requesting approval to remove (1) Royal Poinciana tree located on the property line and the City right of way.
4	2800 N. Roosevelt Blvd/T2021-0137/Overseas Market Retail LLC Represented by: Scott Montgomery-Native Landscape Design Requesting approval to remove (1) Green Buttonwood tree.
5	324 Virginia Street/T2021-0140/John Lykins Represented by: Larrie Busloff Requesting approval to remove (1) Chinaberry tree.
6	1319 William Street & 1316 Royal Street/TP2021-0002 Represented by: Trepanier & Associates, Inc Requesting Final Landscape Plan approval with tree removal to include the removal of (14) Jamaican Caper, (8) Small Leaf Clusia, (7) Gumbo Limbo, (3) Red Coco Plum, (2) Satinleaf, (2) Silver Buttonwood, (1) Fiddlewood, (1) Frangipani, (1) Mahogany, (1) Raintree, (1) Sweet Acacia, (1) White Stopper trees, (3) Christmas Palms, (2) Washingtonian Palms, (1) Fiji Fan Palm, and (1) Royal Palm. The major development plan also proposes to transplant (7) Florida Thatch Palms, (3) Keys Thatch Palms, and (2) Christmas Palms.
7	1414 Albury Street/T2021-0151/City of Key West & Nathan Gubin Represented by: Karen DeMaria Requesting approval to remove (1) Gumbo Limbo tree located on the property line and the city right of way.
8	322 & 324 Truman Avenue/TP2021-0003/TDGroup Truman Ave LLC Represented by: Smith Hawks Requesting Conceptual Landscape plan approval with tree removal to include the removal of (8) Spanish Lime trees and (1) Coconut Palm.
9	100 Grinnell Street/T2021-0156/City of Key West-Port Operations Represented by: Joseph Scarpelli-WP Horn Architects & Ladd Roberts-Landwise Design Requesting approval to remove (2) Spanish Stoppers, (2) Blolly, (1) Jamaican Caper, (6) Sabal Palms, and (1) Royal Palm and the review and approval of an updated and improved landscape plan for the area.

Administrative Hearings

10	1301 1st Street/TC2021-0001/Charles & Carmela Wicht Respondent: Charles Wicht The unauthorized removal of (4) Gumbo Limbos and (1) Pigeon Plum tree without benefit of a tree removal permit
11	1301 1st Street/TC2020-0014/Charles Wicht Respondent: Charles Wicht Discussion of compliance with Settlement Agreement and issued tree removal permit of January 2019.
12	500 White Street/TC2021-0004/Arif Khadija Akhter D. & Mannan Mohammed Abdul-Sunbeam Grocery Respondents: Sunbeam Grocery and Roberto Chavez-RC Construction Services, Inc The unauthorized removal of (2) Sandelwood trees without benefit of a tree removal permit and the improper trimming of (1) Royal Poinciana tree located on the property line with 1118 Fleming Street.

Urban Forestry Manager's Report

Assistant City Attorney's Report

Public Comments

Commissioner Comments

Adjournment

May 29, 2021 Key West Citizen

City of Key West

Citizen Review Board - Board Position

The City of Key West Citizen Review Board (CRB) is seeking to fill one (1) Board position. The one (1) position is a Commission appointed position. The position is for a four year commitment. Applicants must be a resident of Key West in good standing and preferably be nominated by a civic or social organization. Applications are available at the CRB office in the Ferry Terminal Building, on the CRB/City website or by calling 305-809-3887. Applications must be received or postmarked no later than June 27thth, 2021, 5:00pm.

May 22 & 29, 2021 Key West Citizen

UTILITY BOARD PUBLIC

MEETING NOTICE

THE UTILITY BOARD OF THE CITY OF KEY WEST WILL HOLD A WORKSHOP ON WEDNESDAY, JUNE 2, 2021, AT 9:30 A.M. IN THE KEYS ENERGY SERVICES BOARD ROOM, LOCATED AT 1001 JAMES STREET, KEY WEST, FLORIDA.

THE PURPOSE OF THE WORKSHOP IS TO REVIEW AND DISCUSS THE UTILITY BOARD 2020-2022 STRATEGIC PLAN.

THIS MEETING IS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC.

May 29, 2021 Key West Citizen

MONROE COUNTY

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING AND NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE OF CHANGE TO THE MONROE COUNTY COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

JUNE 16, 2021

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on **Wednesday, June 16, 2021** the **Monroe County Board of County Commissioners ("BOCC")** will hold the following Public Meeting, beginning at **9:00 A.M.** The BOCC meeting will be a hybrid format with the County Commission members meeting live at the Murray Nelson Government Center, 102050 Overseas Highway, Key Largo, Monroe County, Florida 33037, while the public will be able to participate via Zoom Webinar. At this Public Meeting the BOCC will hold the following **Public Hearing** to review and receive public comment for the following items at the following time:

PUBLIC HEARINGS: 1:30 PM (or as soon thereafter as may be heard):

A RESOLUTION OF THE MONROE COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS RENOUNCING AND DISCLAIMING ANY RIGHT OF THE COUNTY AND PUBLIC IN AND TO THAT PORTION OF THE RIGHT-OF-WAY OF PINE DRIVE, AS SHOWN ON THE PLAT OF PINE HAMMOCK SUBDIVISION, PLAT BOOK 3, PAGE 163, BOUNDED ON THE NORTH BY DON'S COURT; BOUNDED ON THE WEST BY TRACT D AND E, PINE KEY ACRES; BOUNDED ON THE SOUTH BY PINE DRIVE; AND BOUNDED ON THE EAST BY BLOCK 1, LOTS 5-10. (2020-119)

AN ORDINANCE BY THE MONROE COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS TRANSMITTING TO THE STATE LAND PLANNING AGENCY AN ORDINANCE BY THE MONROE COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS ADOPTING AMENDMENTS TO THE MONROE COUNTY 2030 COMPREHENSIVE PLAN TO AMEND POLICY 501.1.7, OBJECTIVE 501.2, POLICY 501.2.1, POLICY 501.2.2, POLICY 501.2.3 AND POLICY 501.5.3 OF THE PORTS, AVIATION AND RELATED FACILITIES ELEMENT TO ALLOW AIRPORT IMPROVEMENTS, WHICH MAY IMPACT WETLAND AREAS WHEN THERE IS NO OTHER VIABLE ALTERNATIVE AVAILABLE, AT THE KEY WEST INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT AND THE FLORIDA KEYS MARATHON INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT, CONSISTENT WITH THE AIRPORT MASTER PLAN (AMP) AND AIRPORT LAYOUT PLAN (ALP) FOR EACH PUBLIC AIRPORT AND CONSISTENT WITH ALL APPLICABLE FEDERAL AND STATE PERMIT/AUTHORIZATION REQUIREMENTS, INCLUDING MITIGATION FOR ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR REPEAL OF CONFLICTING PROVISIONS; PROVIDING FOR TRANSMITTAL TO THE STATE LAND PLANNING AGENCY AND THE SECRETARY OF STATE; PROVIDING FOR AMENDMENT TO AND INCORPORATION IN THE MONROE COUNTY COMPREHENSIVE PLAN; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE. (FILE 2020-145)

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MAY 29, 2021 KEY WEST CITIZEN

NOTICE OF A MEETING OF TRUSTEES OF THE RETIREMENT SYSTEM FOR THE GENERAL EMPLOYEES OF THE UTILITY BOARD OF THE CITY OF KEY WEST, FLORIDA

THE PENSION BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR THE GENERAL EMPLOYEES OF THE UTILITY BOARD OF THE CITY OF KEY WEST, FLORIDA, WILL HOLD A PENSION BOARD MEETING ON TUESDAY, JUNE 1, 2021 AT 1:30 P.M.

THE PUBLIC MAY JOIN THE MEETING BY CALLING THE PHONE NUMBER AND ENTERING THE ACCESS CODE BELOW.

TOLL FREE: 1-866-899-4679 / ACCESS CODE: 793-449-261

May 29, 2021 Key West Citizen

CALL FOR BIDS

THE UTILITY BOARD OF THE CITY OF KEY WEST, FLORIDA, herein after called Utility Board, operator of Keys Energy Services (KEYS), hereby gives notice to prospective bidders that sealed proposals will be received by KEYS electronically until **1:30 PM on Friday, June 18, 2021** for:

KEYS BID 06-21 SPECIFICATIONS FOR PURCHASE OF ABB POWER CIRCUIT BREAKERS
KEYS BID 25-21 SPECIFICATIONS FOR PURCHASE OF SIEMENS POWER CIRCUIT BREAKERS

The Utility Board has instituted VendorLink and DemandStar systems to provide current information to potential bidders. These systems will allow you to receive bid information quickly and at your convenience 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Specifications may be obtained from their websites at www.myVendorlink.com or www.DemandStar.com. Registered vendors will be notified automatically of all Requests for Proposals. You may also visit KeysEnergy.com to download information for all KEYS bid specifications.

May 22 & 29, 2021 Key West Citizen

MONROE COUNTY

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

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AN ORDINANCE BY THE MONROE COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS: AMENDING CHAPTER 12 ("ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCE PROTECTION") OF THE MONROE COUNTY CODE OF ORDINANCES TO AMEND ARTICLE II. ("RESERVED") BY ADOPTING AND INCORPORATING REGULATIONS RELATING TO THE USE OR APPLICATION OF FERTILIZERS, RELATING TO FLORIDA FRIENDLY FERTILIZER USE OR APPLICATION WITHIN UNINCORPORATED MONROE COUNTY; PROVIDING FOR DEFINITIONS, USE, TIMING OF FERTILIZER USE, CONTENT-BASED FERTILIZER APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR REPEAL OF CONFLICTING PROVISIONS INCONSISTENT HERewith; PROVIDING FOR INCORPORATION INTO THE CODE OF ORDINANCES; PROVIDING FOR TRANSMITTAL TO THE SECRETARY OF STATE; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

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Packet Pg. 2431

Attachment: Copy of Ad Published 5.29 and Proof of Advertising Request (A Public Hearing to Adopt a County Ordinance for)

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

Mayor Michelle Coldiron, District 2
Mayor Pro Tem David Rice, District 4
Craig Cates, District 1
Eddie Martinez, District 3
Mike Forster, District 5

County Commission Meeting

June 16, 2021

Agenda Item Number: S.1

Agenda Item Summary #8371

BULK ITEM: Yes

DEPARTMENT: Sheriff's Office

TIME APPROXIMATE:
N/A

STAFF CONTACT: Michelle Quad (305) 292-7020

AGENDA ITEM WORDING: Approval of FY 2021 recommendations of the Monroe County Shared Asset Forfeiture Fund Advisory Board and rescission of approval of item M1 from the May 21, 2021 agenda.

ITEM BACKGROUND: On May 19, 2021, the Board approved a similar item (M1) without the benefit of recommendations, which had been inadvertently omitted from the back up materials. This item is necessary to clean up the record.

PREVIOUS RELEVANT BOCC ACTION: Similar requests have been approved on a yearly basis.

CONTRACT/AGREEMENT CHANGES:
N/A

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: Approval

DOCUMENTATION:

Approval Ltr with recommendations
#1 Easter Seals
#2 Literacy Volunteers of America
#3 Keys to be the Change
#4 Grace Jones
#5 MARC House
#6 The Last Resort Ministry
#7 Kids Come First
#8 Autism Society of the Keys
#9 A Positive Step
#10 Dolphins to Stop Domestic Violence