



**VILLAGE COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES,
VILLAGE HALL - COUNCIL CHAMBERS
226 CYPRESS LANE ▪ PALM SPRINGS, FLORIDA
APRIL 9, 2026, AT 6:30 PM**

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Bev Smith called the Village Council Regular meeting to order at 6:30 PM

ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor Bev Smith, Vice Mayor Kim Schmitz, Mayor Pro Tem Gary Ready, Council Member Johnnie Tieche, and Council Member Pattie Waller

Absent: None

Also, Present: Village Manager Michael Bornstein, Village Attorney Christy Goddeau, Village Clerk Kimberly M. Wynn, Assistant Police Chief Peter Buhr, as Sergeant-In-Arms, Planning, Zoning, and Building Director Iramis Cabrera, Utilities Director Jimmie Johnson, Assistant Utilities Director Paul Ward, Public Works Director Felipe Lofaso, and Risk Manager Sylvia Ward.

1. Resolution No. 2026-11 Reorganization of the Village Council (Designating a New Vice Mayor & Mayor Pro-Tem): Motion for the approval of Resolution No. 2026-11 to appoint a Vice Mayor and Mayor Pro Tem to serve a one (1) term until March 2027 (or immediately following the completion of the canvassing process when required).
Staff: Kimberly Wynn, Village Clerk

SUMMARY: The Village Charter provides that the Village Council and Mayor serve a four (4) year term and that all elections are held during an odd-numbered year.

Although the Village did not have a Municipal Election in 2025, Section 3.05(a) of the Village Charter requires nomination and election by Council action of a Vice-Mayor and Mayor Pro-Tem from among its members at the first Regular Council meeting after the General Election.

The new Vice-Mayor and Mayor Pro-Tem shall serve a one (1) year term until March 2027 (or immediately following the completion of the election canvassing process when required).

Council Member Patti Waller nominated Mayor Pro Tem Gary Ready as Vice Mayor, and Council Member Johnnie Tieche as Mayor Pro Tem. After further discussion from the Council. Mayor Pro Tem Ready requested the Council to consider Mrs. Waller as Vice Mayor and Johnnie Tieche as Mayor Pro Tem.

Council Member Waller withdrew her motion, and Vice Mayor Schmitz seconded.

Mayor Pro Tem Ready nominated Pattie Waller as Vice Mayor and Johnnie Tieche as Mayor Pro Tem. Vice Mayor Schmitz seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Fiscal Impact: The reorganization of the Village Council does not have a fiscal impact on the Village (Designating a New Vice-Mayor & Mayor Pro-Tem)

INVOCATION

The Village Manager, Mr. Bornstein, led the invitation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Village Council led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ADDITIONS, DELETIONS, OR MODIFICATIONS, AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mayor Smith requested that the Public Comments be moved ahead of the Consent Agenda.

Council Member Ready motioned for the approval of the agenda as amended, and Vice Mayor Waller seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

CONSENT AGENDA

- 2. Approve March 12, 2026, Village Council Regular Meeting Minutes: Approve the March 12, 2026, Village Council Regular Meeting Minutes.
Staff: Kimberly Wynn, Village Clerk
- 3. Approve Reappointment to the Construction Board of Adjustment and Appeals: Approve the reappointment of Mr. Larry Cellon and Mr. Timothy Dornblaser to the Construction Board of Adjustment and Appeals as Regular Members to serve a three-year term that expires May 14, 2029.
Staff: Kimberly Wynn, Village Clerk

SUMMARY: The Construction Board of Adjustment and Appeals has five (5) Regular and two (2) Alternate member vacancies, including one created by Mr. Brandon Cabrera's resignation effective March 3, 2026.

Applications have been received from Mr. Larry Cellon and Mr. Timothy Dornblaser, both seeking reappointment as Regular Members with terms ending May 14, 2029.

If these reappointments are approved, the Board will have three (3) remaining Regular member vacancies, one (1) Senior Alternate vacancy, and one (1) Junior Alternate vacancy.

Fiscal Impact: The proposed reappointments do not have a fiscal impact on the Village.

4. Approve Reappointment to the Planning & Zoning Board: Approve the reappointment of Peter Braun to the Planning and Zoning Advisory Board to serve a three-year term that expires May 14, 2029.

Staff: Kimberly Wynn, Village Clerk

SUMMARY: Staff recommend reappointing Peter Braun to the Planning and Zoning Board. His current term expires on May 14, 2026, and reappointment would ensure continuity of service on the Board.

With this reappointment, the Planning and Zoning Advisory Board will remain fully seated — keeping the Board ready to serve the Village without interruption.

Fiscal Impact: The reappointment does not have a fiscal impact on the Village.

5. Task Order No. 05 with RMJ Contractors for the Alameda Drive Sidewalk Replacement Project: Approve Task Order No. 05 to RMJ Contractors, in an amount not to exceed \$195,650, for the Alameda Drive Sidewalk Replacement Project to improve pedestrian and bicycle safety consistent with the Village's Vision Zero Action Plan and Mobility Plan.

Staff: Felipe Lofaso, Public Works Director

SUMMARY: The Public Works Department is actively engaged in the repair, maintenance, and construction of sidewalks throughout the Village. The Village recently completed Vision Zero Action Plan and Mobility Plan studies intended to enhance safety improvements for all users of our roadway network, in particular pedestrians and bicyclists. One of the corridors that was identified for pedestrian and bicycle safety was Alameda Drive from the park connector pathway to Davis Road. This corridor currently has an 8' wide sidewalk on the south side, recently constructed adjacent to the athletic park facility. The opposite side of the roadway has 5-foot-wide sidewalks that are in poor condition and are scheduled to be replaced with new 8' wide sidewalks as part of this project.

The Village advertised the project to the Pre-qualified Public Works Minor Construction Contractors on February 12, 2026, and received 5 proposals from all 5 pre-qualified vendors. On February 27, 2026, the Village opened the bid proposals, and the lowest, most responsive, and responsible contractor was RMJ Contractors. Staff are recommending approval of Task Order No. 05 to RMJ Contractors for the construction of the Alameda Drive Sidewalk

Replacement Project at a cost not to exceed \$195,650. The original approved FY26 budget of \$150,000 for this project was insufficient due to continued increases in material and labor costs in the heavy construction market. The increased costs will be funded from unspent funds within the Capital account.

Fiscal Impact: Task Order No. 05 to RMJ Contractors for the Alameda Drive Sidewalk Replacement Project is at a cost not to exceed \$195,650 and will be funded from Account #01441-56300. The FY 26 approved budget for this project is \$150,000; therefore, the funding shortfall will be made up by redistributing funds from the same account.

6. Water Collection and Control Products for Community Infrastructure Contract — Utilizing Cooperative Purchasing — Utilities Department (FY 2026 Budget Funded - Water & Sewer Enterprise Fund): Approval of a piggyback agreement with Core & Main, LP., utilizing the Sourcewell cooperative purchasing contract (RFP No. 040825) for water collection and control products, in accordance with Section 58-7 of the Purchasing Code, for a term through October 2, 2029, with three (3) one-year renewal options, subject to annual budget appropriations.

Staff: Jimmie Johnson, Director of Utilities

SUMMARY: The Utilities Department purchases various water collection and control products (e.g., manholes, valves, piping, and equipment) for use throughout the water distribution system, wastewater collection system, and water treatment facilities. The Village currently uses Core & Main, LP., as one of its suppliers of such products.

In accordance with Section 58-7 of the Purchasing Code, Alternative Purchasing Methods, staff recommend that the Village use the current Sourcewell Purchasing Agreement (Co-Op) contract to ensure the lowest possible pricing. Sourcewell completed a competitive selection process for water collection and control products (RFP No. 040825). The contract was awarded to Core and Main, LP., and was approved by Sourcewell on October 2, 2025.

If approved, the Village would accept Core and Main, LP.'s pricing utilizing the Sourcewell cooperative purchasing contract, including all terms, conditions, and pricing therein. The term of the proposed agreement would expire on October 2, 2029, and may be renewed for three (3) additional one (1) year periods. The Village will not expend more than the amount in the approved budget, as it may be adopted/amended annually for these goods and services over the contract term.

The Village Attorney prepared and reviewed the proposed Agreement with the Utilities Director, Assistant Utilities Director, and Finance Director.

The Village has worked with the proposed vendor and has received excellent

service and quality products.

Fiscal Impact: Funding to support purchases under this proposed agreement is available within the FY 2026 Budget - Water & Sewer Enterprise Fund. The Village will not expend more than the amount in the approved budget as it may be adopted/amended each year for those goods and services over the term of this contract.

7. Work Authorization No. CD-U05 - Surficial Well #19 Rehabilitation (Task Order No. 391) — Utilities Department (FY 2026 Budget Funded - Water & Sewer Enterprise Fund) — Centerline Drilling, Inc.: Motion to approve Work Authorization No. CD-U05 with Centerline Drilling to rehabilitate Surficial Well No. 19 for \$68,333.44 to improve water treatment plant flow, pressure, reliability, and meet regulatory requirements. Funding to support purchases under this proposed agreement is available within the FY 2026 Budget — Water & Sewer Enterprise Fund.

Staff: Jimmie Johnson, Director of Utilities

SUMMARY: The Utilities Department plans to rehabilitate existing Surficial Well No. 19 to increase flow and pressure to the Main Water Treatment Plant (MWTP) to meet regulatory requirements, improve reliability and redundancy, and provide a firm capacity of raw groundwater to the MWTP. \$80,000.00 has been approved within the FY 2026 Water & Sewer Enterprise Fund to complete this rehabilitation, with a proposed cost of \$68,333.44.

To ensure the lowest possible price, Village staff is recommending piggybacking the Town of Jupiter's current contract for Surficial Wellfield Rehabilitation. This selection by the Town of Jupiter was completed through a competitive selection process – Surficial Wellfield Rehabilitation Program – (ITB# W2412 – January 9, 2024). The Village will accept Centerline Drilling Inc.'s pricing approved under the Town of Jupiter's contract, including all terms, conditions, and pricing therein. The term of the proposed agreement would expire on March 19, 2027, and there are no additional renewal options available.

The Village's Purchasing Code, Section 58-9, Accessing Contracts of Other Government Agencies, provides that the Village may award a contract by piggybacking or accessing the goods and/or services from any State of Florida contract; contracts of any Florida political 38 subdivision; or from any other governmental entity (other than the Federal government); provided that the same or substantially similar goods and/or services were competitively solicited.

The proposed Agreement was prepared by the Village Attorney and reviewed by the Utilities Director, Assistant Utilities Director, Project Manager, and the Finance Director.

The Village has worked with the proposed vendor and has received excellent service and a quality product.

Fiscal Impact: Funding to support the proposed work authorization is available within the FY 2026 Budget — Water & Sewer Enterprise Fund, account #41336-56300. A budget amendment or internal budget transfer will be requested later if needed.

8. Authorize Emergency Lift Station Repair — LS38 Waterview Lift Station - Utilities (FY 2026 Budget Funded - Water & Sewer Enterprise Fund): Motion to approve an emergency repair on LS38 (Waterview Lift Station), including piping, wet well coating, and labor utilizing the current piggyback agreement with Integrated Solutions from Indian River County for \$69,792.50. Funding to support the emergency repair is available within the FY 2026 Budget-Water & Sewer Enterprise Fund.

Staff: Jimmie Johnson, Director of Utilities

SUMMARY: The Utilities Department performed an emergency repair at LS38 (Waterview Lift Station), including replacing the failed piping and wet well coating. The lift station serves the residents of Waterview Estates and connects to the 12" force main that runs along canal L-11. The piping and coating are specialty repairs that cannot be made by Village staff, and a contractor was required. Industry Standard Engineering Contractor was selected by Utilities to repair the gravity sewer line due to their immediate availability and their willingness to allow the Village to utilize the pricing of their Utility Labor Services contract with Indian River County. The cost of repair and maintenance totals \$69,792.50, which the Village Manager approved as an emergency purchase.

To ensure the lowest possible price, the Village staff suggests utilizing the piggyback agreement with Indian River County for Utility Labor Services. This contract is for various water distribution, wastewater collection, and lift station rehabilitation-related repairs or projects and was selected by Indian River County through a competitive selection process (RFP #2025005–August 8, 2024). The Village will accept Industry Standard's pricing, which is approved under Indian River County's contract, including all terms, conditions, and pricing. The proposed Indian River County contract will expire on October 22, 2026, and has two (2) additional one (1) year renewal options. A copy of the current agreement is on file in the Office of the Village Clerk.

The Village has worked with the proposed vendor and has received excellent service.

Fiscal Impact: Funds for this emergency repair are available within the FY 2026 Budget – Water and Sewer Fund. A budget amendment or internal

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9. Authorize Emergency Automatic Transfer Switch Repair — R.L. Pratt Water Treatment Plant (FY 2026 Budget Funded - Water & Sewer Enterprise Fund): Motion to Approve an emergency repair to the automatic transfer switch at the R.L. Pratt Water Treatment Plant with Wave Electrical LLC for \$98,750.00. Funding to support the emergency repair is available within the FY 2026 Budget - Water & Sewer Enterprise Fund.
Staff: Jimmie Johnson, Director of Utilities

SUMMARY: The Utilities Department is making an emergency repair to the automatic transfer switch (ATS) at the R.L. Pratt Water Treatment Plant. An ATS is a device that automatically switches the electrical load from the primary power source to the backup generator during a power outage, ensuring a continuous power supply. The current ATS has failed, and the plant currently requires a manual switch of electrical load. With the upcoming hurricane season approaching, and a 30-week lead time from the ATS manufacturer, the staff recommends approving the repair as an emergency purchase.

The cost of the replacement ATS is \$98,750.00 and includes the equipment, installation, all necessary restoration, and the supply of a temporary power generator for use during the ATS installation. The Utilities Department's contingency account will be used to support the emergency repair.

The proposed vendor has been a subcontractor for other Village projects, and the Village has received excellent service.

Fiscal Impact: Funds for this emergency repair are available within the FY 2026 Budget – Water and Sewer Fund. A budget amendment or internal budget transfer will be requested later if needed.

10. Approve Change Order No. 1 – Contract Time Extension and Final Reconciliation – Main Water Treatment Plant and R.L. Pratt Water Treatment Plant Ammonia Feed System Improvements (Task Order #321 & Task Order No. 322) – Florida Design Drilling, LLC: Approval of Change Order #1 with Florida Design Drilling, LLC for the Main and R.L. Pratt Water Treatment Plant Ammonia Feed System Improvements Project (Task Order Nos. 321 & No. 322), including a 167-day contract time extension and a contract price reduction of \$117,540.07 for final project reconciliation.
Staff: Andrew Klausner, Project Manager

SUMMARY: The Utilities Department requests approval of Change Order No. 1 with Florida Design Drilling LLC to provide a contract time extension and final contract price reconciliation for the Main Water Treatment Plant and R.L. Pratt Water Treatment Plant Ammonia Feed System Improvements Project (Task Order No. 321 & No. 322). During construction, the project experienced delays due to instrumentation and controls submittals, extended procurement timelines for specialized equipment, and coordination with manufacturers during system startup. Also, an additional control system component was identified during startup, required for the system to function as intended. These have impacted the completion date by an additional 167 days and have additionally resulted in a contract price reduction of \$117,540.07. Staff have reviewed the contractor's request and supporting documentation and found the adjustments reasonable and appropriate for final project reconciliation.

Proposed Adjustments:

- Contract price: Decrease from \$984,400 to \$866,859.93 (\$117,540.07 reduction)
- Contract time: Extended by 167 days, adjusting the final completion date from September 14, 2025, to February 28, 2026

Copies of the original contract documents are available at the Village Clerk's Office.

Fiscal Impact: Contract price: Decrease from \$984,400.00 to \$866,859.93 (\$117,540.07 reduction)

11. Authorize Temporary Portable Office Rental - Cooperative Purchasing - Utilities Department (FY2026 Budget Funded - Water & Sewer Enterprise Fund) - Omnia Partners - Wilscot: Approval to authorize the rental of a 24x60 portable office trailer for Utilities field operations during construction of the Utilities Operations Building, for a term not to exceed eighteen (18) months, utilizing the Omnia Partners cooperative purchasing contract with Wilscot in the amount of \$54,074.80.

Staff: Jimmie Johnson, Director of Utilities

SUMMARY: The Utilities staff must rent one (1) 24x60 portable office trailer to support the daily operational needs of the utility field service during construction of the new Utilities Operations Building for up to eighteen (18) months. In accordance with Section 58-7 of the Purchasing Code, Alternative Purchasing Methods, staff recommend that the Village utilize the current Omnia Partners cooperative purchasing contract to ensure the lowest possible price. In October 2021, Omnia Partners completed a competitive selection process for Modular Buildings, Portable Storage, and Relocatable Walkways (RFP No. 21-05). The bid documents are on file in the Office of the Village Clerk.

Through the Omnia Partners Purchasing Contract, Wilscot provided a quote of \$54,074.80

If approved, the Village would accept Wilscot's pricing by utilizing the Omnia Partners cooperative purchasing contract, including all terms, conditions, and pricing, which expires on September 30, 2026.

Fiscal Impact: Funding to support purchases under this proposed agreement is available within the FY 2026 Budget- Water & Sewer Enterprise Fund, account # 41336-56200. The Village will not expend more than the amount in the approved budget as it may be adopted/amended each year for those goods and services over the term of this contract.

11. Work Authorization No. CH-U04 — Initial Feasibility Study for PFAS Reduction — Utilities Department (FY 2026 Budget Funded - Water & Sewer Enterprise Fund) — CHA Consulting, Inc.: Approval of Work Authorization No. CH-U04 with CHA Consulting, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$81,007.40, for professional engineering services to conduct a per-and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) treatment feasibility study in response to upcoming regulatory requirements. Funding to support the study is available within the FY 2026 Budget — Water & Sewer Enterprise Fund.

Staff: Jimmie Johnson, Director of Utilities

SUMMARY: The Utilities Department is requesting the Village Council approve Work Authorization No. CH-U04 at a cost not to exceed \$81,007.40 to support all professional engineering services and related tasks associated with an initial feasibility study for PFAS reduction by CHA Consulting, Inc., the Village's contracted engineering firm.

Note: The Village issued a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) for Professional Engineering Services (RFQ #2024R-001 - Utility Engineering Services Continuing Contracts) in accordance with the Consultants Competitive Negotiation Act (CCNA) Section 287.55, Florida Statutes.

Due to upcoming regulatory changes to remove Per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) from drinking water, staff recommends an initial feasibility study to evaluate potential treatment options. The study will include the evaluation of existing source water quality, current and proposed finished water capacity, existing water treatment plants' processes, and the identification of treatment technologies for the removal of PFAS.

The Village has worked with the proposed vendor previously and received excellent service and a quality product.

Fiscal Impact: Funding to support the proposed work authorization is available within the FY 2026 Budget — Water & Sewer Enterprise Fund, account #41336-53100. A budget amendment or internal budget transfer will

be requested later if needed.

12. Use of Police Forfeiture Funds: Request for approval of additional funding from the Police Forfeiture Fund in the amount of approximately \$13,000 to complete the purchase of an Alternate Light Source for the crime lab, due to a change in vendor and increased cost, in compliance with Village procurement policy and Florida Statute 932.7055.

Staff: Rolando Silva, Police Chief

SUMMARY: The Police Department had previously requested and received Council approval to use Police Forfeiture Funds to purchase crime scene forensic equipment for the newly constructed crime lab. Four of the five requested items are being purchased with the approved Forfeiture funds. For the last requested item, Alternate Light Source, the department had to seek a different brand because the original brand was discontinued. After due diligence, the lowest-cost vendor for the newly selected Alternate Light Source is approximately \$13,000 above the initially approved funding level. The Department is requesting approval of additional funding from the Police Forfeiture Fund account.

The purchase of this crime scene forensic equipment exceeds the police department's normal operating expenses. The above equipment is widely used in crime labs to assist in processing evidence. The Alternate Light Source is used to detect invisible trace evidence, such as touch DNA or blood, which is a critical component in solving crimes.

The item above falls under the definition of a "small purchase" Sec. 58-4(a) in the Village Code. To ensure the lowest possible prices, the Police Department staff has conducted market research on the above item in accordance with the Village Procurement Policy, Section 5.1 A&B.

The approximate cost for the equipment, Alternate Light Source, is \$34,000 (an additional \$13,000 over the previously approved cost) and is available in the Police Department's Forfeiture Account.

This expenditure also complies with Florida State Statute 932.7055 (5a) that specifically states, in part, that these funds shall be used for "law enforcement purposes, which include... providing additional equipment."

Fiscal Impact: Funds for this expenditure are available and have been planned in FY 2026 budget for the police department's Forfeiture Fund account.

13. Proclamation: Recognizing Arbor Day - April 24, 2026

Staff: Kimberly Wynn, Village Clerk

14. Proclamation: Recognizing Municipal Clerks Week Proclamation Week - May 3-9, 2026.

Staff: Kimberly Wynn, Village Clerk

Mayor Smith read the proclamation into the record and gave comments.

15. Proclamation: Recognizing National Library Week - April 19-25, 2026.

Staff: Kimberly Wynn, Village Clerk

16. Proclamation: Recognizing National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week - April 12-18, 2026.

Staff: Kimberly Wynn, Village Clerk

End of Consent Agenda...

Mayor Smith took a moment to acknowledge the Clerk's Department for Municipal Clerk's Week by reading into record their proclamation. She also acknowledged them for hosting the Advisory Board and Committee Appreciation event.

Mayor Pro Tem Tieche motioned for the approval of the Consent Agenda, and Council Member Schmitz seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

PRESENTATIONS

17. Palm Beach County Municipal Vulnerability Assessment Final Presentation

Staff: Felipe Lofaso, Public Works Director

SUMMARY: The Village of Palm Springs partnered with Palm Beach County to develop a plan for community resiliency against flooding from sea-level rise, heavy rainfall, and storm surge. The Palm Beach County Municipal Vulnerability Assessment uses local data to evaluate risks to community assets and meets State law requirements (FL Statute Section 380.093). Funding comes from the Florida Department of Environmental Protection's Resilient Florida Grant Program. Palm Beach County worked with FDEP to develop vulnerability assessments for six municipalities, including Palm Springs. Tetra Tech, the County's consultant, led the assessment and is presenting the final report for the Village.

A representative from Tetra Tech presented a final summary for the staff to consider. A presentation was delivered regarding the Village's Flooding and Sea Level Rise Risk Assessment, outlining project objectives, analysis findings, and recommended mitigation strategies. The representative talked about the purpose and objectives of the project. She explained that the study aimed to identify vulnerable areas and critical assets at risk from flooding, comply with state requirements, guide future infrastructure planning, and improve eligibility for state and federal funding opportunities. Further, there

was an assessment overview. The analysis evaluated flooding risks under current conditions and future projections (2050 and 2080), incorporating sea level rise, storm surge, rainfall, and compound flooding scenarios. The assessment followed state guidelines and utilized NOAA projections.

A representative from Tetra Tech presented a final summary for the staff to consider. A presentation was delivered regarding the Village's Flooding and Sea Level Rise Risk Assessment, outlining project objectives, analysis findings, and recommended mitigation strategies. The representative discussed the project's purpose and objectives. She explained that the study aimed to identify vulnerable areas and critical assets at risk from flooding, comply with state requirements, guide future infrastructure planning, and improve eligibility for state and federal funding opportunities. Further, there was an overview of the assessment. The analysis evaluated flooding risks under current conditions and in future projections (2050 and 2080), incorporating sea-level rise, storm surge, rainfall, and compound flooding scenarios. The assessment followed state guidelines and utilized NOAA projections.

The representative of Tetra Tech commented on the key findings, including that 9,244 critical assets were analyzed. Assets were categorized by priority level: 2,460 high priority, 1,284 moderate priority, and 1,802 low priorities.

Several flooding focus areas were identified based on asset concentration, risk exposure, and local knowledge. She discussed the study's methodology, which included exposure and sensitivity analyses to assess risk levels and potential impacts on infrastructure, resulting in a composite vulnerability score used to prioritize critical assets. The representative discussed recommendations. They proposed adaptation strategies that include both non-structural and structural approaches. The non-structural would include policy updates, community education, stormwater analysis, and land conservation efforts. The structure would include infrastructure improvements such as sanitary sewer retrofits, roadway elevation adjustments, stormwater system upgrades, and potable water system enhancements. Funding opportunities were identified, such as Resilient Florida Grants, Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities (BRIC), Hazard Mitigation Grants, and other state and federal programs.

The next step for the project to proceed is to receive final approval from the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP).

Fiscal Impact: There is no fiscal impact on this item.

18. Police Department E-Bike Initiative

Staff: Rolando Silva, Police Chief

SUMMARY: The Police Department staff, Captain Fequiere and Lieutenant Annunziata, will present the details of the Police Department's new initiative to educate the public and conduct enforcement of the State's electric bicycle and electric scooter laws.

Lieutenant Angela Annunziata of the Police Department presented "Operation Current Velocity," a proactive initiative to address the growing presence and use of electric bicycles (e-bikes) within the Village. The presentation provided an overview of e-bikes, including the three classifications based on speed and operation, and explained how these devices are regulated under current Florida law. The presentation highlighted that e-bikes are becoming increasingly common among both young people and adults, raising safety concerns about rider behavior, speed, and interactions with pedestrians and other vehicles. Lt. Annunziata noted that the initiative is intended to address these concerns through a balanced approach that combines education, awareness, and enforcement.

The purpose of Operation Current Velocity is to initiate development of a Village code addressing e-bikes and other micromobility devices while encouraging safer riding practices. The initiative focuses on educating the community, particularly younger riders, and identifying high-traffic areas where e-bikes and pedestrians share space. Emphasis was placed on improving overall compliance and reducing potential conflicts in these shared environments.

Lt. Annunziata outlined key objectives of the program, including using social media and Village communication platforms to raise awareness, distributing educational materials through schools, homeowners' associations, and community partners, and encouraging voluntary compliance through outreach efforts. The initiative also aims to increase visibility of safety messaging and reinforce responsible riding behaviors throughout the Village.

A phased implementation timeline was presented, beginning with a 45-day education period focused on outreach and public awareness. This phase will be followed by a 90-day enforcement period, during which officers will enforce existing Florida e-bike laws through written warnings and citations as appropriate.

The anticipated outcomes of the initiative include increased safety awareness, improved rider compliance, and safer roadways and shared-use paths for residents and visitors. Council expressed general support for the initiative and emphasized the importance of prioritizing education while continuing to evaluate the effectiveness of enforcement efforts and to consider future policy options.

Mayor Smith offered the public and the Council an opportunity to speak.

Council member Ready asked how illegal behavior on e-bikes is handled by minors. He also wanted clarification regarding bicycle use on sidewalks and the maximum speed permitted. Lt Annunziata responded that parents are notified of illegal behavior by minors on e-bikes. The maximum speed permitted on the sidewalk is 10 miles per hour. Anything over this speed should be driven on the road.

Council asked if there was an Ordinance. There is no ordinance available yet. The Police Department is looking at other agencies. A proposed ordinance will be coming forward in the future. Council asked what the age limit is for a Class 3 e-bike. They were informed that the age is at least 16 years.

Fiscal Impact: There is no fiscal impact from this item.

REGULAR AGENDA

19. Appointment of Voting Delegate(s) to the Palm Beach County League of Cities: Motion to Appoint one voting delegate and alternatives to the Palm Beach County League of Cities to serve a one-year term as a representative of the Village of Palm Springs.

Staff: Kimberly Wynn, Village Clerk

SUMMARY: Every year, the Palm Beach County (PBC) League of Cities requests that each municipality designate a voting delegate and an alternate(s), if so desired, to vote on behalf of the Village of Palm Springs at the League of Cities general membership, special membership, and general membership functions. The appointed delegate(s) vote on official business items at membership meetings.

Currently, Mayor Smith is the voting delegate for the Village, and Vice Mayor Schmitz, Mayor Pro Tem Ready, Council Member Tieche, and Council Member Waller serve as the alternates.

The Village Council is requested to appoint a voting delegate and alternate(s) to the PBC League of Cities.

Mayor Smith asked whether the Council agreed with her remaining as the primary and whether they would serve as the alternates.

Council Member Ready moved to approve the appointment of Mayor Smith to the Palm Beach County League of Cities, with the Council serving as alternates. Vice Mayor Waller seconded the motion.

Fiscal Impact: There is no direct fiscal impact on the village.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mayor Smith opened the meeting for Public Comments on the Consent Agenda.

Ms. Judith Allen — 3170 Dolan Road — Ms. Allen commented on her concerns about moving forward with Item #5 for the Sidewalk Replacement Project and the safety of bicyclists. She is also concerned about how mail will be delivered, residents' access to their homes late at night, and safety. Public Works Director, Mr. Lofaso, addressed her concerns. He explained that Item #5 is a different project.

Palm Beach County Fire Rescue Battalion Chief Ronald Martinez acknowledged his 20-year service anniversary with PBCFR. He thanked Public Works for participating in their community course (e.g., CPR, first aid). He provided the Council with the service calls and the average monthly turnaround time. Chief Martinez opined on e-bike safety. There were two students seriously injured that morning on an e-bike. He discussed the legislation and the push for lithium batteries.

Mayor Smith offered the public and Council an opportunity to comment. Council Member Ready asked Chief Martinez his opinion about our police officers' use of e-bikes. Chief Martinez gave the advantages and disadvantages which were discussed with the Police Department. The Police Department has taken the necessary precautions.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

20. Proposed Resolution No. 2026-08 — Hours of Operation Variance (PSV26-07) — China Star Restaurant — 4064 Forest Hill Boulevard, Suite 7: Motion to approve Resolution No. 2026-08 for the application submitted by Benjamin Sers, (“Agent”), for China Star Restaurant request a variance (PSV 26-07) to allow a three (3) hour deviation from Section 34-891(1) of the Village Code of Ordinances to permit China Star Restaurant to operate until 2:00 am, for the property at 4064 Forest Hill Boulevard Suite #7. *(CONTINUED FROM THE MARCH 12, 2026, VILLAGE COUNCIL MEETING)*

Staff: Kimberly Wynn, Village Clerk

SUMMARY: Mr. Benjamin Sers, agent for China Star Restaurant, is requesting a variance relief (PSV26-07) to deviate from Section 34-891(1), "Hours of operation and hours of construction activity", which specifies that no commercial use shall commence business activities before 7:00 a.m., nor continue such activities later than 11:00 p.m. The applicant requests a three-hour deviation to allow the existing restaurant to be open until 2:00 a.m.

The applicant has leased the tenant space in the plaza for nearly a year and now seeks to extend their business hours to 2:00 a.m. The restaurant

currently occupies 1,000 square feet, offers takeout only, and does not sell alcoholic beverages.

Staff determined that the proposed variance is consistent with surrounding businesses that operate with extended hours.

Granting the Variance requested will not confer on the applicant any special privilege, nor deprive them of rights commonly enjoyed by other businesses in the plaza.

The proposed three-hour extension aligns with the general intent and purpose of the Variance requested and will not be injurious to the area involved or otherwise detrimental to public welfare.

Staff support the applicant's request to extend hours of operation, given the current ownership and the lack of alcohol sales. If the restaurant changes ownership and/or proposes selling alcohol, the extended hours will cease unless the village council grants a new variance.

Cabrera gave the staff's presentation and entered it into the record. She then introduced Mr. Byron Tejado, agent for China Star Restaurant, who was presented as the applicant. He requested a variance relief (PSV26-07) to extend the restaurant's hours of operation from 11:00 p.m. to 2:00 a.m., deviating from Section 34-891(1) of the Village Code. The applicant explained that the business has operated in the plaza for approximately one year, occupies a 1,000-square-foot space, offers takeout service only, and does not sell alcoholic beverages.

Staff reported that the request is consistent with surrounding businesses operating with extended hours and determined that the variance would not be detrimental to public welfare or confer a special privilege. Staff indicated that the request aligns with the Code's general intent.

Mayor Smith offered the Council an opportunity for further discussion. Council Member Ready asked about the current hours of operation and the crime statistics. Mr. Tejado did not have this information available, but he advised that the restaurant is in the center of the plaza.

During the discussion, the Village Council expressed concerns about public safety, particularly late-night activity and its potential impact on the surrounding area. While acknowledging the limited nature of the operation and absence of alcohol sales, the Council emphasized the importance of monitoring police activity and community impacts before granting extended hours.

Following deliberation, the Village Council approved a modified request, allowing the restaurant to remain open until 12:00 a.m. on a six-month

probationary basis. The Council directed that, if no adverse reports are received from the Police Department during this period, the hours may be extended to 1:00 a.m. thereafter. The Council further noted that any future request to extend hours beyond that time would require additional review and approval.

Police Assistant Chief Buhr reported that there was one reported robbery at the location several years ago. Mayor Pro Tem Tieche asked the applicant whether he agreed to the conditions listed in the staff report and whether he would be willing to install a security camera and front parking lights at the location. The Village Attorney, Mrs. Goddeau, advised Mayor Pro Tem Tieche that he cannot make lighting and camera requirements. He can only make the recommendation. The applicant agreed voluntarily to install the camera and lights on the property.

Council Member Schmitz inquired about the criteria used to approve these types of variances. Village Attorney Goddeau discussed the conditions and the applicable criteria. Then she asked the applicant whether they needed to stay open until 2 AM. The applicant provided an alternative, such as partnering with a delivery service (e.g., Uber Eats or DoorDash) to make late-night deliveries.

Mayor Pro Tem Tieche motioned to approve Resolution No. 2026-08 to permit China Star to remain open until midnight for six months, contingent upon no adverse reports; thereafter, the hours may be extended to 1:00 a.m. Council Member Ready seconded the motion. The said motion carried 4-1 (Council Member Schmitz dissenting).

Fiscal Impact: The proposed request is not expected to provide a direct fiscal impact on the Village. However, if approved, it would require various village services, resulting in increased expenditure for the village.

21. Proposed Resolution No. 2026-10 - Hours of Operation Variance (PSV26-08) La Cabana Latin Grill — 2677 Forest Hill Boulevard, Unit 117-118: Approve Resolution No. 2026-10 a request submitted by Francisco Rosa, owner of La Cabana Latin Grill, for variance relief (PSV26-08) to extend hours of operation from 11:00 p.m. to 2:00 a.m., Thursday through Sunday.
Staff: Iramis Cabrera, PZB Director

SUMMARY: Mr. Francisco Rosa, owner of La Cabana Latin Grill, is requesting a variance relief (PSV26-08) to deviate from Section 34-891(1), "Hours of operation and hours of construction activity", which specifies that no commercial use shall commence business activities before 7:00 a.m., nor continue such activities later than 11:00 p.m. The applicant requests a three-hour deviation to allow the existing restaurant to remain open until 2:00 a.m.,

Thursday through Sunday.

La Cabana Latin Grill opened their first location in 2018 in West Palm Beach with a vision to create a place where people could gather around authentic Cuban and Mexican food, celebrate life's moments, and feel at home. What began as a small family restaurant quickly became a neighborhood's gathering place. From the beginning, the restaurant has been family-operated and hands-on. They are personally involved in the daily management of the business, and they are present every day, overseeing staff, welcoming guests, ensuring quality, and protecting the family's atmosphere.

The restaurant was relocated to this location over two years ago as a step forward in its growth and long-term commitment to the community and currently occupies 2,600 square feet.

The restaurant's format emphasizes family dining and cultural gatherings. These characteristics address the evolving need for restaurants serving the Village's residents.

Staff determined that granting the variance request will not confer on the applicant any special privilege, nor deprive them of rights commonly enjoyed by other businesses in the village.

The proposed three-hour extension aligns with the general intent and purpose of the Variance requested and will not be injurious to the area involved or otherwise detrimental to public welfare.

Staff support the applicant's request to extend the hours of operation, given the current ownership's commitment to serving the community. If the restaurant changes ownership, the extended hours will cease unless the village council grants a new variance.

Ms. Cabrera gave the Village's presentation, then she presented Mr. Francisco Rosa, owner of La Cabana Latin Grill, who presented a request for variance relief (PSV26-08) to extend the restaurant's hours of operation from 11:00 p.m. to 2:00 a.m., Thursday through Sunday, deviating from Section 34-891(1) of the Village Code. The applicant provided background on the family-owned restaurant, originally established in 2018 in West Palm Beach and relocated to its current 2,600-square-foot location over two years ago. The restaurant focuses on family dining and cultural gatherings, with ownership actively involved in daily operations and committed to serving the community.

Staff reported that the requested variance is consistent with surrounding businesses and would neither confer a special benefit nor be a detriment to public welfare. Staff further noted that the request aligns with the Code's intent and supports the need for extended dining options within the Village.

Following discussion, the Village Council approved a modified variance request, allowing the restaurant to operate until midnight, Thursday through

Sunday, for an initial six-month probationary period. The Council directed that, if no adverse reports are received during that time, the hours may be extended to 2:00 a.m. thereafter. The approval is limited to current ownership, and the variance will become null and void upon any change in ownership unless otherwise approved by the Village Council.

Council asked about the latest call for service to customers. Mr. Rosa advised that the latest is generally at 1:30 AM. Council Member Ready asked if there were any problems with cameras and lighting at the location. Mr. Rosa discussed how the new landlord was beautifying the area. Cameras are located on the site, and attention is being taken to fix the lighting. At this point, Assistant Chief Buhr explained that there were multiple calls, but none were made directly by the business. Further discussion ensued about safety and code enforcement. Mr. Rosa stated that the property is under new management.

There were no public comments.

Mayor Pro Tem Tieche motioned for the approval, as amended, of Resolution No. 2026-10, which permits La Cabana Latin Grill to remain open until midnight Thursday — Sunday for six months. It is contingent upon no adverse reports, they will be permitted to remain open until 2 AM. The motion passed 3-2 (Council Member Schmitz and Mayor Smith dissenting).

Fiscal Impact: The proposed request is not expected to provide a direct fiscal impact on the Village. However, if approved, it would require various village services that would result in increased expenditure for the village.

ACTIONS AND REPORTS

There were no Actions or Reports.

VILLAGE MANAGER COMMENTS

There were no Village Manager comments.

VILLAGE COUNCIL COMMENTS

The Council thanked the Clerk's office for the Advisory Board Appreciation Dinner. They discussed Commissioner Flores' new office grand opening event from 11 AM - 3 PM on April 18, 2026. They invited everyone to the Arbor Day event on April 24, 2026. Mayor Smith mentioned that the Florida League of Cities is paying for the Council's attendance at the mobility conference. She encouraged them to get the information to attend.

ADJOURNMENT

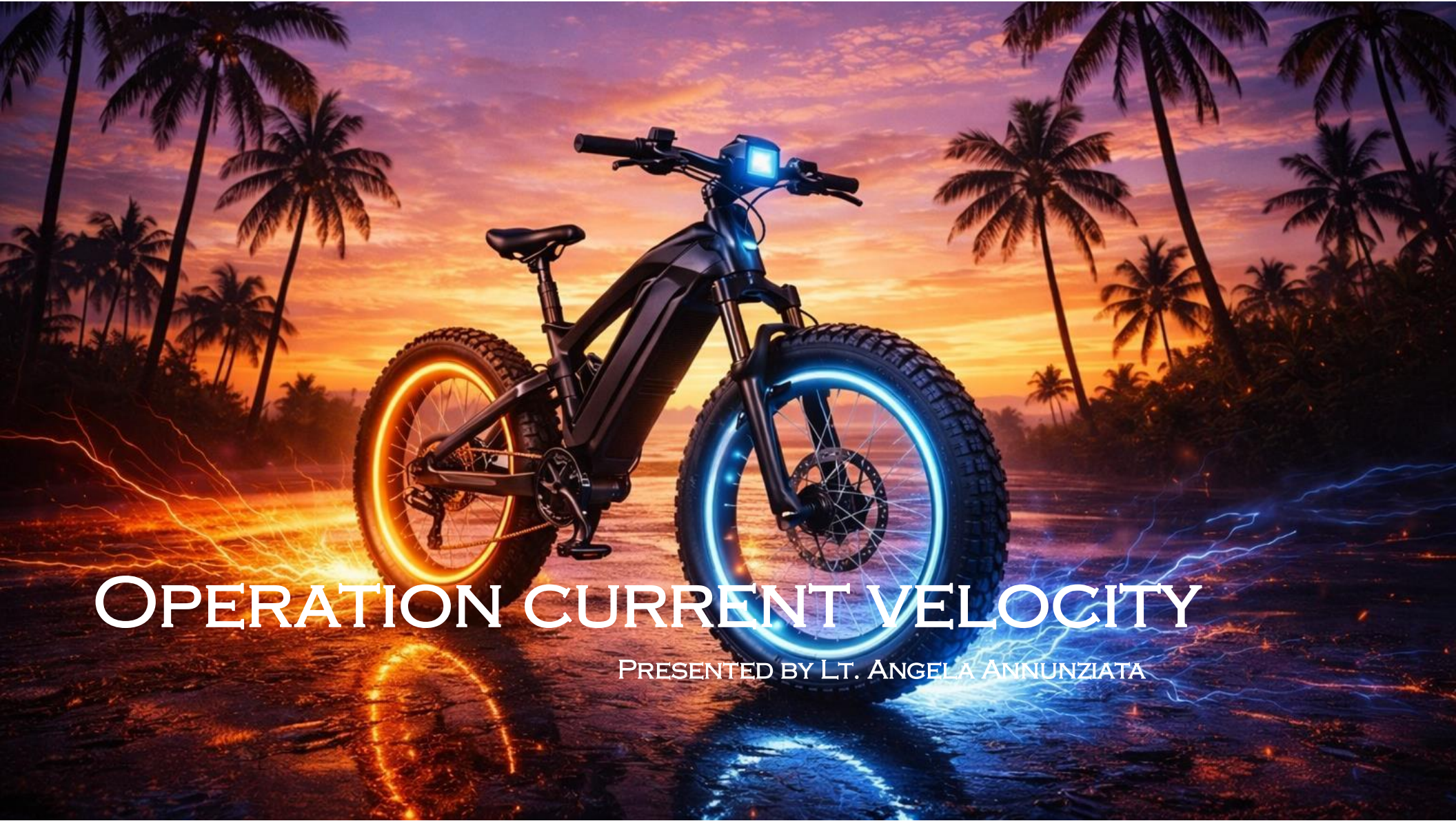
Hearing no further business, Mayor Smith adjourned the meeting at 8:11 PM.

The undersigned is the Village Clerk of Palm Springs, Florida, and the information provided herein is the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on April 9, 2026. The minutes were formally approved and adopted by the Village Council on May 14, 2026.

Kimberly M. Wynn

Village Clerk

**NEXT REGULAR MEETING:
THURSDAY, MAY 14, 2026, AT 6:30 P.M.
(IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE CRA MEETING)**



OPERATION CURRENT VELOCITY

PRESENTED BY LT. ANGELA ANNUNZIATA

WHAT ARE E-BIKES?



OPERATION CURRENT VELOCITY

EBIKE CLASSIFICATIONS WHAT'S THE DIFFERENCE



CLASS 1

**20MPH
PEDAL ASSISTED
NO ASSISTANCE WITHOUT PEDALING
SAME RULES AND ACCESS RIGHT AS
REGULAR BIKES**



CLASS 2

**20MPH
THROTTLE ASSISTED
CAN BE RIDDEN WITHOUT PEDALING
SAME RULES AND ACCESS RIGHT AS
REGULAR BIKES**



CLASS 3

**28MPH
PEDAL ASSISTED OR OPTIONAL THROTTLE
NO ASSISTANCE WITHOUT PEDALING
AGE LIMIT APPLIES
USAGE AREA RESTRICTED**



DESIGN AND PURPOSE

- Initiate a Village Code Addressing eBikes and Micromobility Devices
- Educate, Change behavior and Elicit Voluntary Compliance
- Focusing on Our Teenage and Adult E-Bike Riding Community
- Increase Safety Through Educational Handouts and Media Campaign
- Identify High Travel Areas Where E-Bikes and Pedestrians Share Spaces
- Time Line: 45-day Education Period Followed by a 90-Day Enforcement Period

POLICE PALM SPRINGS

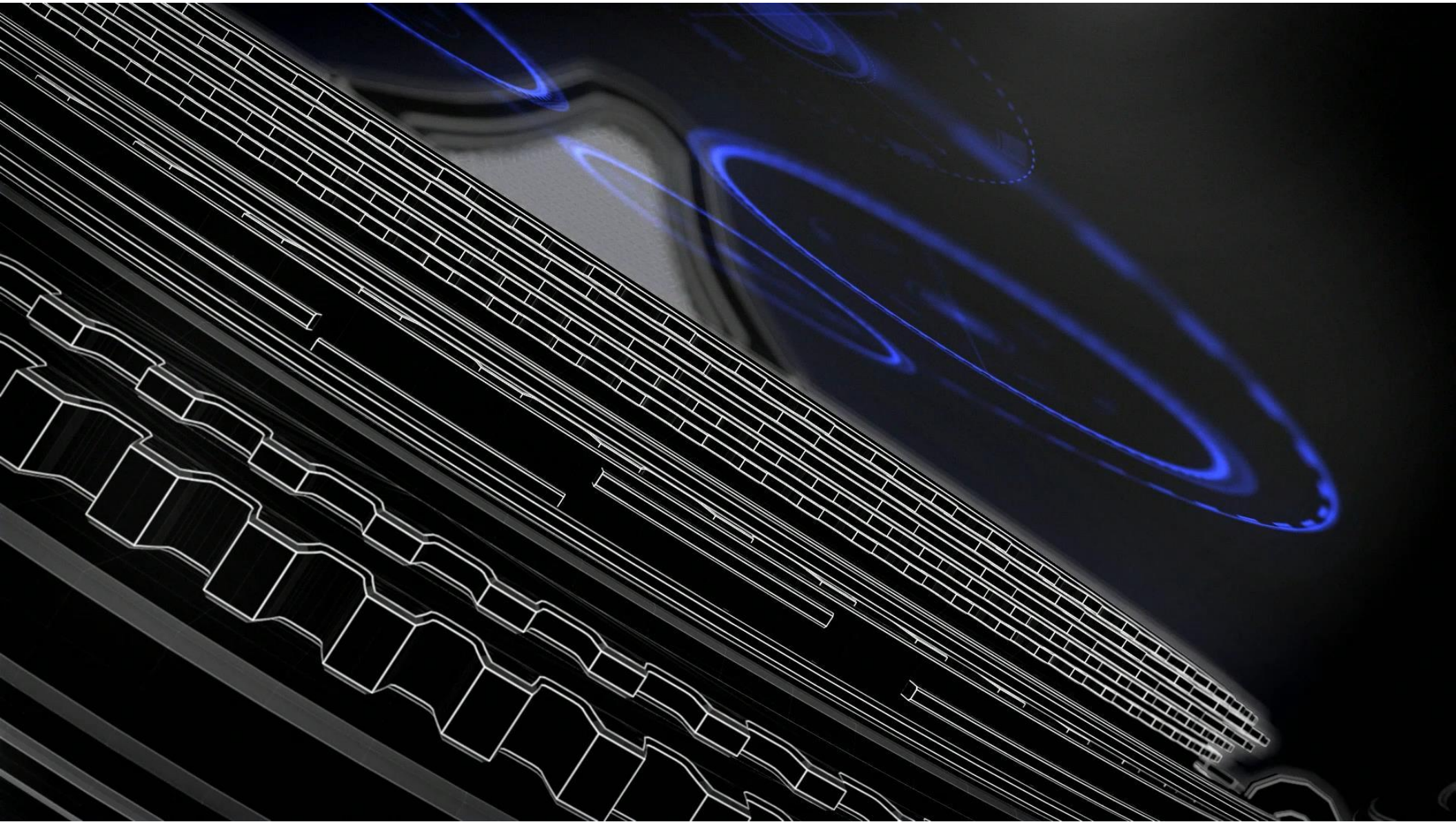


BIKE EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES

- Use Social Media, Mainstream Media and the Village Marquee
- Disburse Age-appropriate Materials at Schools, HOAs and Village Events
- Create Voluntary Compliance

Enforce	Current Florida E-Bike Laws Issue Written Warnings and Citations
Increase	Safety Awareness Rider Compliance
Create	Create Safer Roadways and Shared Paths





OUR COMMITMENT TO THE VILLAGE



- Educating our community
- Enforcing the law fairly and consistently
- Ensuring safer roadways and pathways for everyone



If You're
Going to Ride
in the Village,
Safety is Not
Optional

OPERATION CURRENT VELOCITY





Village of Palm Springs

Flooding and Sea Level Rise Risk Assessment

Council Meeting | April 9, 2026



Today's Agenda

- 1. Project Objectives**
- 2. Exposure Analysis Results**
- 3. Sensitivity Analysis Results**
- 4. Strategies and
Recommendations**
- 5. Discussion & Questions**

Project Objectives

1

Develop a cohesive strategy to identify vulnerabilities

2

Asses flooding hazards, complying with state legislation

3

Guide future needs and ID community partnerships

4

Increase eligibility for State and Federal grant funding

Climate Vulnerability Assessment



- Identify YOUR Critical Assets at risk
- Section 380.093(3)(d)3.a-c, F.S. requires:
 - NAVD88
 - 2022 National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration Intermediate Low and Intermediate sea level rise projections
- Determine level of exposure at specific flood scenarios for:
 - Current conditions, 2050, and 2080
 - Sea level rise, high tide flooding, storm surge, rainfall-induced flooding, compound flooding
 - Prioritize the assets to identify future project needs
- Identify flooding focus areas
- Obtain and incorporate public/stakeholder feedback



Palm Springs - Rainfall + SS Combination NIL 100-Year 24-Hour



Present Day 100-Year 24-Hour

2050

2080

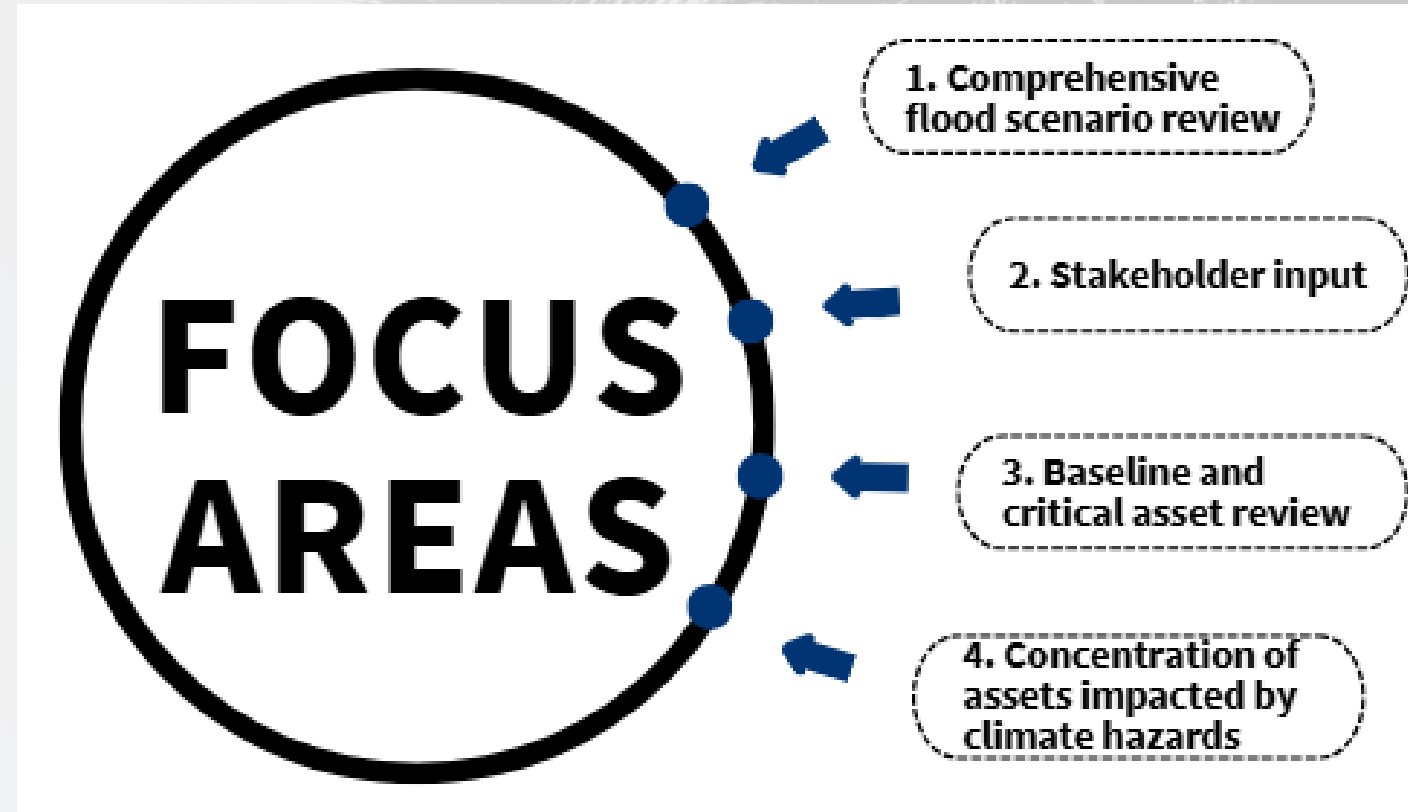
Flooding Focus Area Methodology



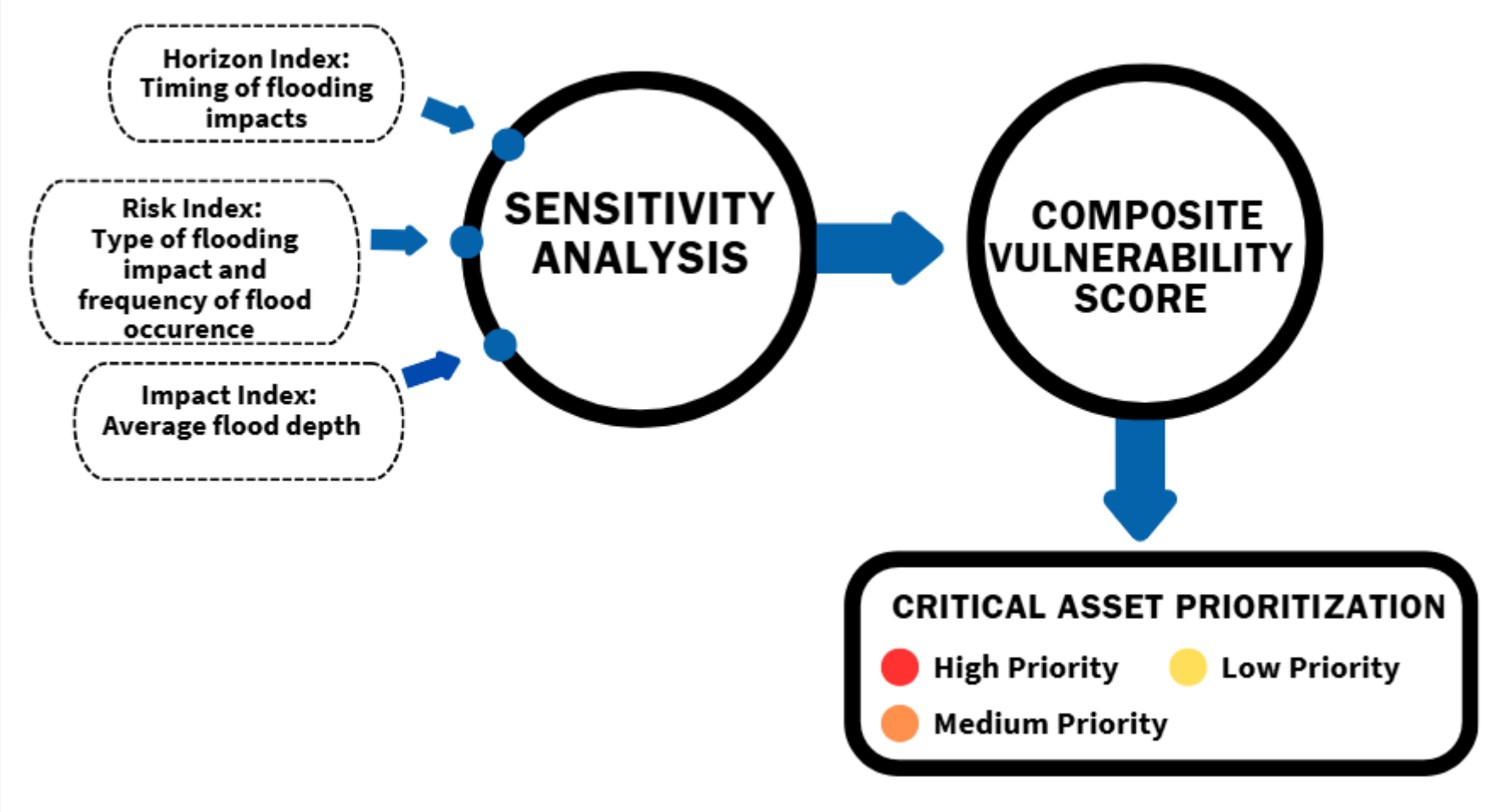
Criteria for flooding focus areas:

1. There is an aggregation of critical assets at risk
2. The area is subject to flooding risks today or by 2050 or 2080
3. Areas identified as at-risk based on local knowledge

Purpose: Helps prioritize where adaptation response should occur based on geographic area and timeline to impact





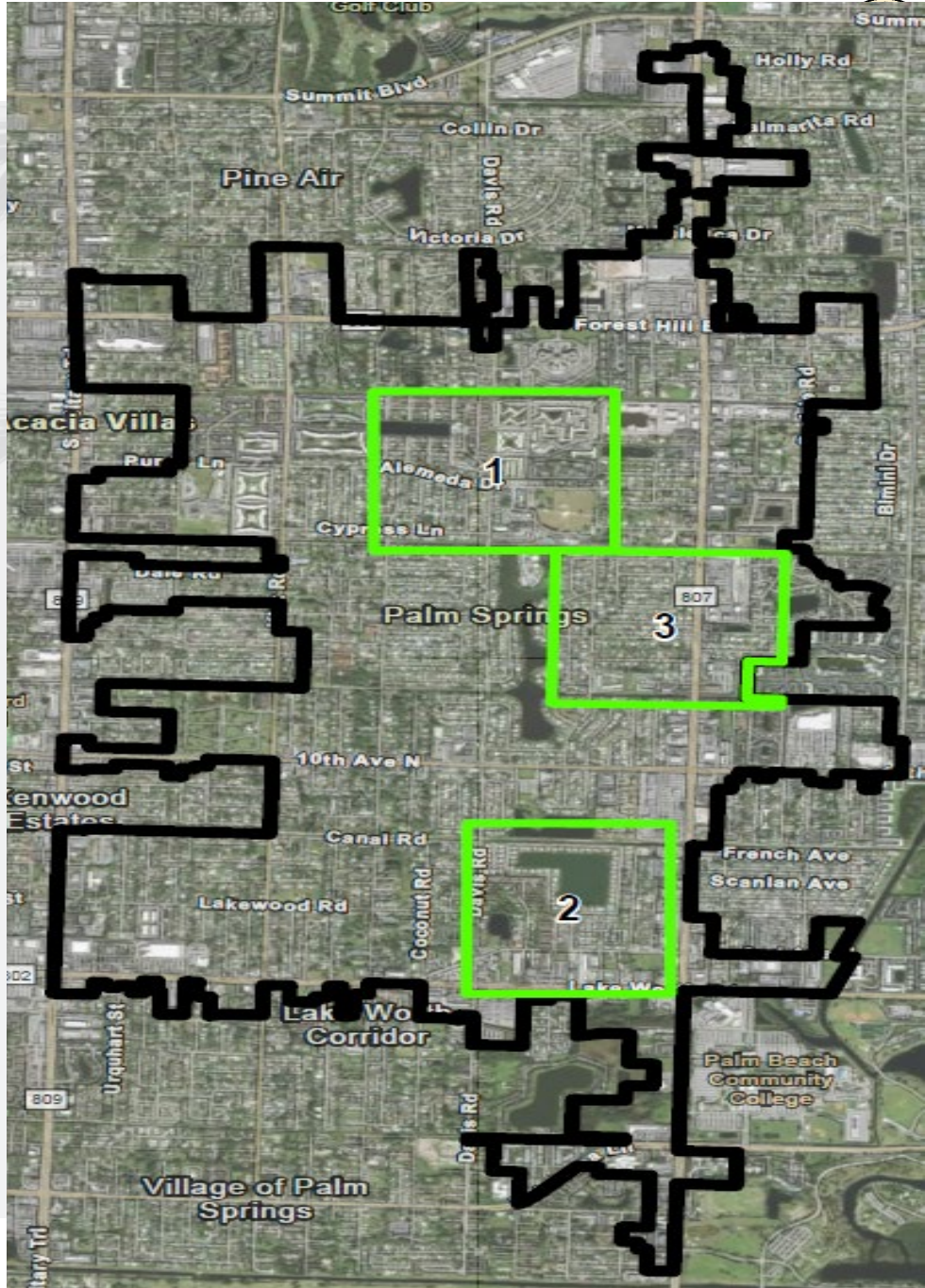
Sensitivity Analysis: Assesses the potential impact of flooding hazards on the inventory of critical community assets

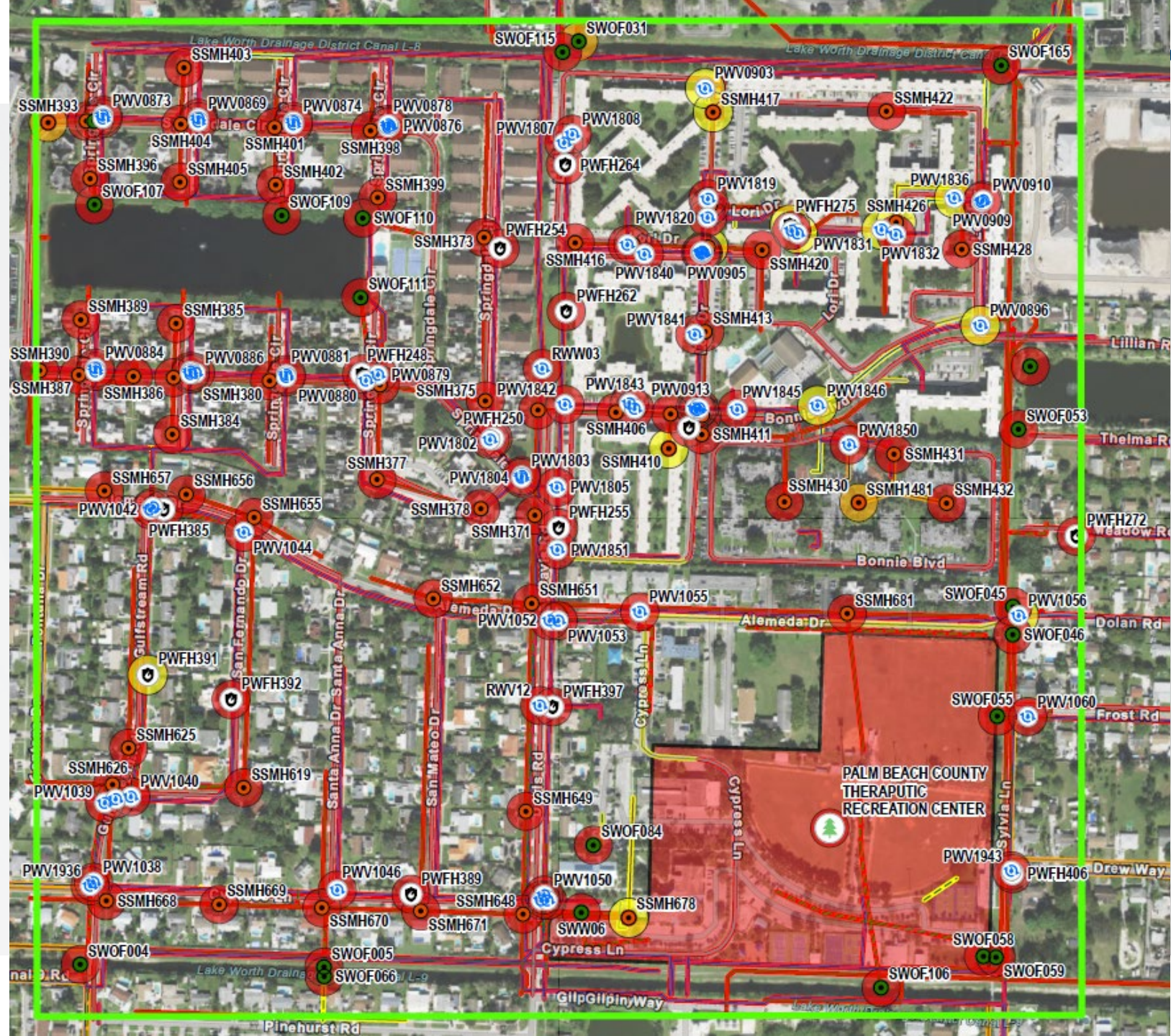
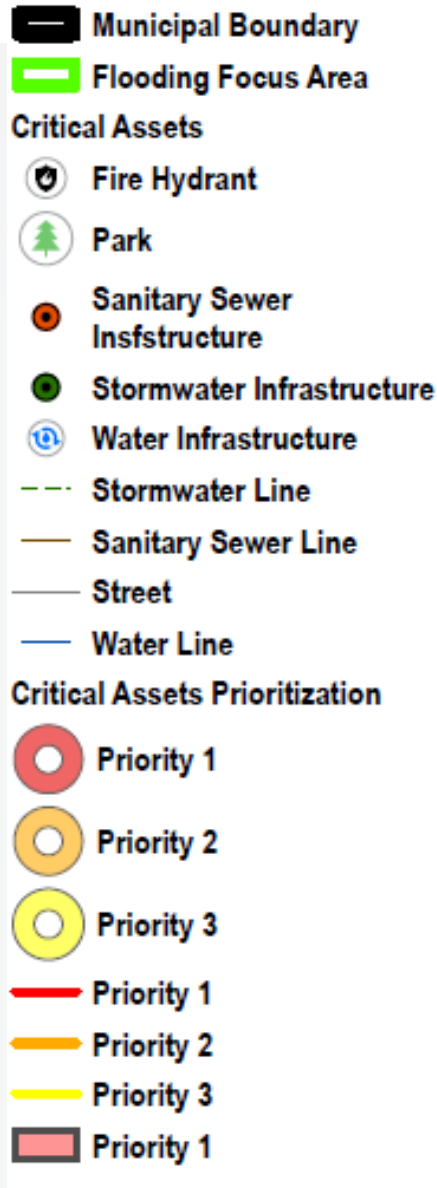






















Sensitivity Analysis Results

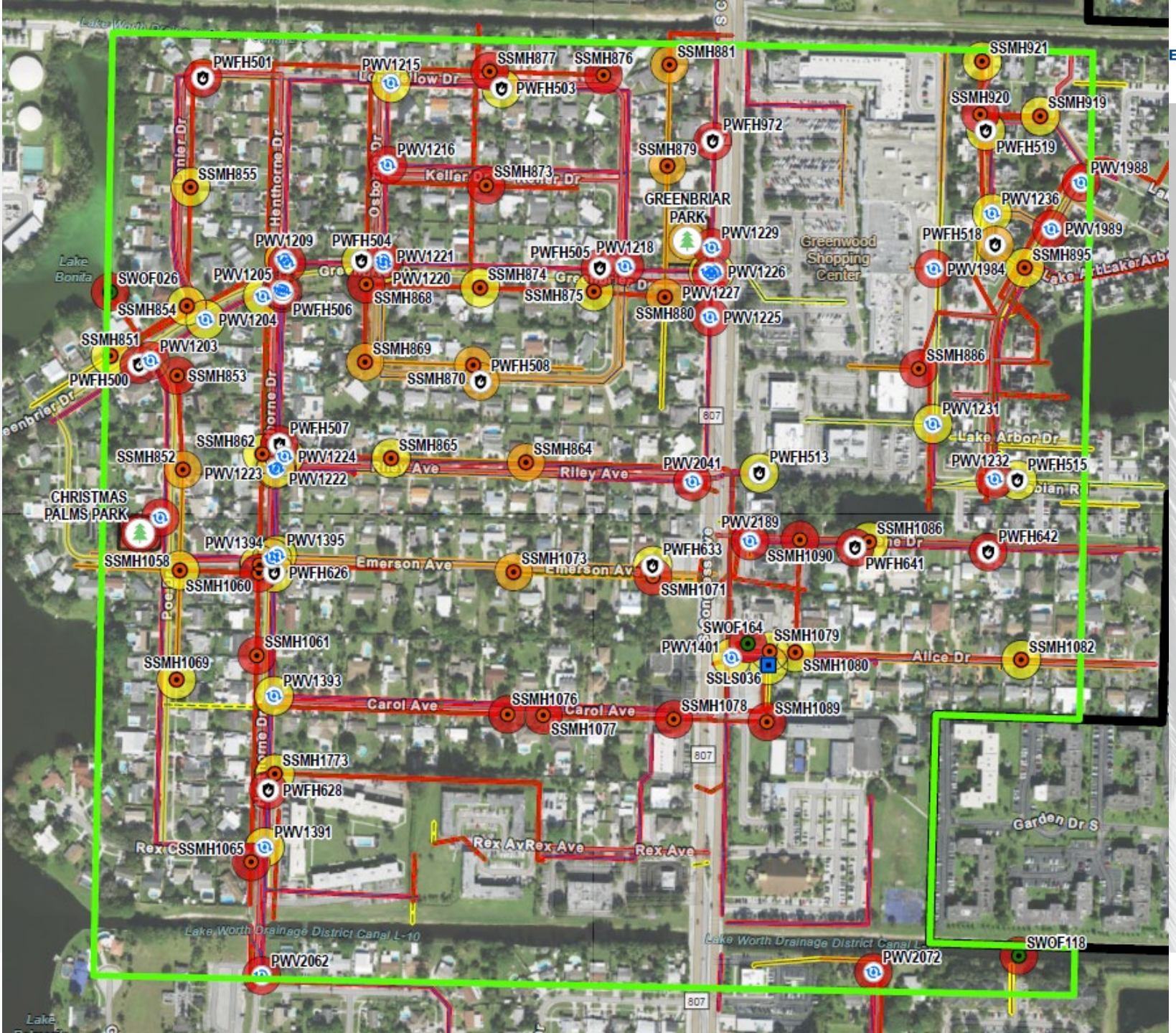
Critical Asset Priority Level	Counts
Priority 1 (High)	2460
Priority 2 (Moderate)	1284
Priority 3 (Low)	1802
Priority 4 (Minimally Impacted) *Not displayed on FFA maps	3698
Total Assets	9244

 Municipal Boundary
 Flooding Focus Area





 Municipal Boundary	 Street
 Flooding Focus Area	 Water Line
Critical Assets	
 Fire Hydrant	 Priority 1
 Lift Stations	 Priority 2
 Park	 Priority 3
 Sanitary Sewer Infrastructure	 Priority 1
 Stormwater Infrastructure	 Priority 2
 Water Infrastructure	 Priority 3
 Stormwater Line	 Priority 1
 Sanitary Sewer Line	 Priority 2



Adaptation Strategies and Recommendations



Non-structural

- Policy and Code updates: landscaping/tree canopy
- Community Education
- Stormwater analysis
- Land preservation/Conservation Easements

Structural

- Retrofit Sanitary Sewer Gravity Mains (Priority 1)
- Increase road elevation/crown (Priority 1 & 2)
- Stormwater retrofitting to increase capacity (Priority 2)
- Potable Water Mains (Priority 2)

Future Project Funding

- Resilient Florida Grants – Assistance Office Hours, Tuesdays in April
- Community Development Block Grants (CDBG)
 - Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities (BRIC)
- Hazard Mitigation Grants
- Various EPA Grants
 - State Clean Water Revolving Fund
- Elevate Florida Housing Grant
- Florida League of Cities Grant

Thank you!

Discussion & Questions

Next Step:



**FINAL APPROVAL
FROM DEP**