MEMORANDUM

DATE: JULY 27, 2020

TO: COUNCIL MEMBERS

FROM: STAFF

SUBJECT: FLORIDA REGIONAL COUNCILS ASSOCIATION

The Florida Regional Councils Association (FRCA) is an alliance of Florida’s ten Regional Planning Councils which serves to enhance regional collaboration throughout the state. The FRCA Policy Board consists of three board members from each of the state’s 10 Councils: a County Representative, a Municipal Representative, and a Gubernatorial Appointee.

Chaired by Councilmember Walters, President of the FRCA Policy Board, the Policy Board met on July 10th to receive reports on the Legislative Session, including a Statewide Regional Evacuation Study, that will be undertaken by the regional planning councils with Northeast Florida RPC as the lead. The Policy Board was briefed by Phil Paradice, Jr., the Regional Director of the U.S. Department of Commerce Economic Development Administration, Atlanta Office. Mr. Paradice provided information on the EDA’s activity and current disaster funding programs to address COVID-19 impacts.

In addition to the review of the draft 2021 State Legislative Program and other administrative matters, the Policy Board honored Councilmember Walters for her many contributions to the organization over the last 15 years, especially her last year as President. TCRPC Councilmember Peter O’Bryan now advances to Presidency of the Board. The next meeting of the Policy Board is scheduled for January 8, 2021.

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