



MEMORANDUM

AGENDA ITEM #III.E

DATE: JULY 21, 2025

TO: COUNCIL MEMBERS

FROM: STAFF

SUBJECT: FY 2025 – 2026 MEMBERSHIP DUES

The Council is required to certify membership fees for the upcoming fiscal year to our member counties by August 1st of each year. For 28 years (May 1994 to July 2021), the per capita rate was held steady by the Council at \$.175 per capita. In July 2021, the Council voted to begin a gradual increase over a period of five years of the per capita rate. The FY22/23 rate was set at \$.20 per capita and with a scheduled increase of \$.0125 per capita for the following four years to reach \$.25 per capita in FY26/27. On April 17, 2023, the Council voted to add an additional \$.0125 per year to reach \$.30 by FY 26/27.

These funds are needed to maintain and increase Council services to our member local governments. In FY 25/26, the Council's dues rate will continue to be among the lowest of the regional planning councils. Council staff uses the resident population projections for April 1, 2026 (the mid-point of the Council's fiscal year) prepared by the Florida Legislature's Office of Economic and Demographic Research (EDR). The table below shows the projected resident population for April 1, 2026, and the corresponding fees for each county at \$0.275 cents per capita.

	Population Est. FY 2025 - 26 April 1, 2025	FY 2024 – 25 Dues \$0.25 /capita	FY 2025 -26 Dues \$0.275 / capita
Broward	2,024,540	\$501,676.25	\$556,748.50
Miami-Dade	2,837,384	\$703,491.00	\$780,280.60
Monroe	85,823	\$21,359.25	\$23,601.33
South Florida	4,947,747	\$1,226,526.50	\$1,360,630.43

Source: Based on the results from the Florida Demographic Estimating Conference, November 2023 and UF, BEBR, Florida Population Studies, Volume 57, Bulletin 198, January 2024 medium county projections.

Recommendation: Approve the Council Dues for FY 2025 – 2026



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Regional Planning Council		2024-25 Per Capita Rate
Apalachee		\$6,000 base; \$.07/capita (counties only)
Central Florida	.37	\$0.37/capita (counties only)
East Central Florida	.21	\$0.2089/capita (counties only)
Emerald Coast		Base fees for counties and cities vary plus \$0.10/capita
North Central Florida	.30	\$0.30/capita
Northeast Florida	.41	\$0.41/capita (counties only)
South Florida	.25	\$0.25 / capita (counties only) (Proposed FY 25-26 = \$0.275 / capita)
Southwest Florida	.30	\$0.30/capita (counties only)
Tampa Bay	.32	\$2,000 base fee for cities; \$0.32/capita for counties
Treasure Coast	.43	\$0.43/capita (counties only)

Total County Population: April 1, 1970 - 2050*

County / State	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030
Alachua	284,607	287,872	293,040	297,494	300,783	304,003	307,317	310,648	313,894	316,957
Baker	28,692	27,881	28,339	28,784	28,933	29,105	29,344	29,626	29,923	30,210
Bay	178,282	184,002	187,545	189,556	191,016	192,470	194,001	195,573	197,134	198,636
Bradford	27,955	27,013	27,389	27,686	27,677	27,698	27,795	27,940	28,100	28,247
Brevard	616,742	627,544	640,773	650,942	658,254	665,381	672,749	680,213	687,560	694,598
Broward	1,955,375	1,969,099	1,973,579	1,987,270	2,006,705	2,024,540	2,039,841	2,053,243	2,065,186	2,076,176
Calhoun	13,683	13,740	13,816	13,843	13,835	13,831	13,835	13,847	13,861	13,873
Charlotte	190,570	196,742	204,126	208,721	211,348	214,047	217,109	220,383	223,699	226,889
Citrus	155,615	158,009	162,240	164,965	166,370	167,860	169,626	171,552	173,507	175,366
Clay	221,440	225,553	231,042	235,332	238,491	241,602	244,835	248,125	251,388	254,540
Collier	382,680	390,912	399,480	406,913	413,299	419,504	425,657	431,693	437,507	443,006
Columbia	69,809	71,525	72,191	72,697	73,279	73,800	74,252	74,656	75,026	75,377
DeSoto	34,031	34,748	34,974	35,063	35,158	35,244	35,323	35,395	35,462	35,526
Dixie	16,804	16,988	17,271	17,442	17,520	17,602	17,701	17,810	17,921	18,024
Duval	1,016,809	1,033,533	1,051,278	1,068,201	1,083,167	1,097,550	1,111,550	1,125,057	1,137,853	1,149,751
Escambia	324,458	329,583	333,452	336,506	339,070	341,442	343,690	345,821	347,814	349,651
Flagler	119,662	124,202	130,756	135,001	137,398	139,957	142,951	146,220	149,584	152,874
Franklin	12,364	12,729	12,971	13,163	13,347	13,521	13,684	13,839	13,986	14,126
Gadsden	43,813	43,967	44,421	44,581	44,490	44,426	44,428	44,473	44,537	44,595
Gilchrist	18,126	18,841	19,123	19,340	19,593	19,830	20,046	20,245	20,431	20,607
Glades	12,130	12,273	12,591	12,714	12,689	12,680	12,708	12,762	12,826	12,887
Gulf	14,824	15,938	16,323	16,505	16,708	16,895	17,062	17,213	17,353	17,485
Hamilton	13,226	13,395	13,671	13,770	13,780	13,795	13,827	13,870	13,917	13,959
Hardee	25,269	25,544	25,645	25,674	25,684	25,694	25,706	25,720	25,734	25,744
Hendry	40,540	40,633	40,895	41,209	41,454	41,689	41,925	42,158	42,381	42,591
Hernando	196,540	199,207	204,265	207,970	210,306	212,639	215,171	217,813	220,452	222,985
Highlands	102,065	103,102	104,385	105,231	105,698	106,167	106,695	107,255	107,809	108,324
Hillsborough	1,490,374	1,520,529	1,541,531	1,566,520	1,593,916	1,619,777	1,643,654	1,665,945	1,686,885	1,706,761
Holmes	19,665	19,784	19,910	19,968	19,974	19,982	20,000	20,024	20,051	20,075
Indian River	161,702	165,559	167,781	170,255	173,091	175,746	178,155	180,373	182,438	184,391
Jackson	47,198	48,395	48,982	49,179	49,269	49,360	49,468	49,588	49,709	49,820
Jefferson	14,590	14,923	15,402	15,602	15,604	15,625	15,695	15,795	15,907	16,010
Lafayette	7,937	7,808	8,074	8,203	8,191	8,194	8,232	8,294	8,364	8,430
Lake	400,142	403,857	414,749	425,867	434,881	443,713	452,644	461,537	470,212	478,499
Lee	782,579	802,178	800,989	813,215	835,889	856,178	872,456	885,882	897,525	908,482
Leon	295,921	299,130	301,724	304,275	306,626	308,872	311,047	313,166	315,213	317,182
Levy	43,577	44,288	45,283	45,915	46,243	46,589	46,999	47,446	47,900	48,335
Liberty	7,464	7,831	7,977	8,000	8,021	8,041	8,058	8,075	8,091	8,105
Madison	18,122	18,438	18,698	18,778	18,745	18,724	18,733	18,761	18,797	18,827
Manatee	411,209	421,768	439,566	452,002	459,471	467,134	475,724	484,865	494,130	503,107
Marion	381,176	391,983	403,966	411,901	417,101	422,416	428,241	434,354	440,491	446,399
Martin	159,053	161,655	162,847	164,153	165,734	167,214	168,552	169,789	170,949	172,063
Miami-Dade	2,731,939	2,757,592	2,768,954	2,788,911	2,813,964	2,837,384	2,858,298	2,877,262	2,894,539	2,910,514
Monroe	83,411	83,961	84,511	85,017	85,437	85,823	86,187	86,526	86,837	87,112
Nassau	93,012	95,809	100,763	103,991	105,725	107,547	109,673	111,979	114,328	116,587
Okaloosa	213,204	215,751	219,260	222,367	224,924	227,377	229,797	232,160	234,420	236,536
Okeechobee	39,148	39,385	39,591	39,700	39,762	39,818	39,875	39,934	39,990	40,043
Orange	1,457,940	1,481,321	1,492,951	1,516,359	1,547,210	1,575,857	1,601,076	1,623,720	1,644,482	1,664,103
Osceola	406,460	424,946	439,225	453,972	469,033	483,198	496,379	508,756	520,462	531,640
Palm Beach	1,502,495	1,518,152	1,532,718	1,549,685	1,567,465	1,584,500	1,600,573	1,615,780	1,630,059	1,643,399
Pasco	575,891	592,669	610,743	625,134	636,578	647,824	659,309	670,881	682,322	693,433
Pinellas	964,490	972,852	974,689	977,859	982,240	986,012	989,031	991,560	993,768	995,858
Polk	748,365	770,019	797,616	818,116	832,384	846,637	861,793	877,438	893,067	908,203
Putnam	73,673	74,249	75,906	76,581	76,443	76,401	76,573	76,880	77,238	77,560
St. Johns	285,533	296,919	315,317	328,699	337,375	346,139	355,684	365,674	375,735	385,504
St. Lucie	340,060	350,518	368,628	379,903	385,443	391,505	398,925	407,178	415,704	423,946
Santa Rosa	191,911	196,834	202,772	207,677	211,644	215,545	219,500	223,437	227,263	230,891
Sarasota	441,508	452,378	464,223	472,815	478,983	485,041	491,342	497,744	504,056	510,101
Seminole	477,455	484,054	486,839	491,466	497,419	502,964	507,879	512,314	516,366	520,151
Sumter	134,593	141,420	155,318	163,306	166,472	170,012	174,632	179,915	185,424	190,729
Suwannee	43,676	44,688	45,448	45,887	46,167	46,445	46,744	47,052	47,353	47,634
Taylor	20,957	21,375	21,686	21,811	21,887	21,958	22,033	22,109	22,184	22,255
Union	15,799	15,550	16,137	16,441	16,428	16,443	16,534	16,672	16,832	16,984
Volusia	563,358	572,815	583,505	592,203	598,919	605,406	611,956	618,483	624,846	630,921
Wakulla	34,311	35,169	36,168	36,883	37,378	37,866	38,379	38,905	39,426	39,928
Walton	77,941	79,544	83,342	86,307	88,260	90,196	92,259	94,382	96,485	98,493
Washington	24,995	25,461	25,497	25,610	25,852	26,061	26,216	26,336	26,436	26,530
Florida	21,898,945	22,276,132	22,634,867	22,977,106	23,292,200	23,594,496	23,887,133	24,170,121	24,441,129	24,698,545

*Projections begin in 2024.
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