



Agenda Report

2725 Judge Fran Jamieson
Way
Viera, FL 32940

New Business - Miscellaneous

J.5.

1/7/2020

Subject:

Funding Source Notification for Greeting Cards, Dist. 2

Fiscal Impact:

We'll save some moola.

Dept/Office:

District 2

Requested Action:

Require that greeting cards sent (from any County department, office, employee, or elected official) to more than 24 recipients include, in a 12-point or larger ADA-friendly font, on the cards themselves, a prominent notice reading "THIS DOCUMENT PAID FOR WITH TAXPAYER FUNDS" whenever County funds have, in part or in whole, paid for the purchase of the cards, printing for the cards, and/or postage for the cards.

Summary Explanation and Background:

It has come to Commissioner Lober's attention that multiple County departments, offices, employees, and/or elected officials may have bulk-mailed holiday cards purchased with County funds with printing and postage also paid for with County funds.

While the thought behind a personalized card is appreciated and while it is not Commissioner Lober's intention to be thought of as the *Greeting Card Grinch*, we must remain ever mindful that County funds should only be spent with due care and discretion.

Moreover, when such cards originate from elected officials, some may understandably view this in a similar light to the now notorious Nikki Fried gas pump stickers.

A waiver of this requirement must be obtained by majority vote of the Board of County Commissioners and such waivers will be granted only in extenuating circumstances.

Clerk to the Board Instructions:



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January 8, 2020

MEMORANDUM

TO: Frank Abbate, County Manager

RE: Item J.5., Funding Source Notification for Greeting Cards

The Board of County Commissioners, in regular session on January 7, 2020, approved requiring that greeting cards sent from any County Department, office, employee, or elected official to more than 24 recipients include, in a 12-point or larger ADA-friendly font, on the cards themselves, a prominent notice reading, "THIS DOCUMENT PAID FOR WITH TAXPAYER FUNDS" whenever County funds have, in part or in whole, paid for the purchase of the cards, printing for the cards, and/or postage for the cards.

Your continued cooperation is always appreciated.

Sincerely,

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
SCOTT ELLIS, CLERK

Tammy Rowe

Tammy Rowe, Deputy Clerk

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cc: Each Commissioner