



Agenda Report

2725 Judge Fran Jamieson
Way
Viera, FL 32940

New Business - Miscellaneous

J.2.

4/8/2025

Subject:

Discussion re: Elimination of County TIF payments to the North Brevard Economic Development Zone (NBEDZ)

Fiscal Impact:

Increased revenues to Fire Rescue by reallocating the recurring NBEDZ revenue.

Dept/Office:

D3 Commission Office

Requested Action:

It is requested that the Board direct staff to prepare a Statement of Legislative Intent regarding the discontinuation of County TIF payments to the NBEDZ Trust Fund, the dissolution of NBEDZ, and the refund of any uncommitted TIF funds on deposit in the NBEDZ Trust Fund to the respective taxing authorities that contributed those funds, including the County.

Summary Explanation and Background:

NBEDZ has been in existence since 2012 and has received a total of more than \$30 million in general fund dollars. The economic revival in north Brevard and the current financial state of Brevard County Fire Rescue compels us to consider reprioritizing general fund revenue allocations by discontinuing County TIF payments to the NBEDZ Trust Fund and redistributing those funds to Fire Rescue.

The most recent County TIF payment to NBEDZ was \$3.3 million. The Economic Development Commission of Florida's Space Coast (EDC) performs an identical function for less than half the cost and is spread far more equitably across the County. The coexistence of these entities is a redundancy in economic development within the County.

Using existing NBEDZ General Fund revenue will help reduce the financial impact on residents associated with additional funding needed to increase firefighter salaries moving forward.

Pursuant to Policy BCC-45 II.A.2., at any regularly scheduled meeting or workshop, the Board may direct the drafting of an ordinance or revision to an existing ordinance. Prior to the drafting, staff shall prepare a Statement of Legislative Intent. The Board shall consider this Statement at a subsequent regularly scheduled meeting. After Board approval of the Statement of Legislative Intent, an ordinance will be drafted, advertised, and processed for public hearing in accordance with established procedures.

Clerk to the Board Instructions:



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April 9, 2025

M E M O R A N D U M

TO: Commissioner Kim Adkinson, District 3


RE: Item J.2., Discussion on Elimination of County TIF Payments to the North Brevard Economic Development Zone (NBEDZ)

The Board of County Commissioners, in regular session on April 8, 2025, directed staff to prepare a Statement of Legislative Intent regarding the discontinuation of County TIF payments to the NBEDZ Trust Fund, the dissolution of NBEDZ, and the refund of any uncommitted TIF funds on deposit in the NBEDZ Trust Fund to the respective taxing authorities that contributed those funds, including the County.

Your continued cooperation is always appreciated.

Sincerely,

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
RACHEL M. SADOFF, CLERK


Kimberly Powell, Clerk to the Board

cc: County Manager
Finance
Budget

Board Meeting Date

Item Number: J. 2. Motion to
Motion By: KD Table
Second By: TA
Nay By: Failed

Commissioner	DISTRICT	AYE	NAY
Commissioner Delaney	1	✓	
Vice Chair Goodson	2		✓
Commissioner Adkinson	3		✓
Commissioner Altman	5	✓	
Chairman Feltner	4		✓

Board Meeting Date

Item Number: J.2

Motion By: KA direct shift

Second By: TG

Nay By: 3:2 passes

Commissioner	DISTRICT	AYE	NAY
Commissioner Delaney	1		✓
Vice Chair Goodson	2	✓	
Commissioner Adkinson	3	✓	
Commissioner Altman	5		✓
Chairman Feltner	4	✓	

Donna Scott

From: Lively, Cathy <Cathy.Lively@brevardfl.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, April 8, 2025 11:52 AM
To: District 2 Commissioner Tom Goodson; District 3 Commissioner Kim Adkinson; District 4 Commissioner Rob Feltner; District 5 Commissioner Thad Altman; Clerk to the Board
Cc: Abbate, Frank B; Richardson, Morris; District 1 Commissioner Kathryn Delaney
Subject: [EXTERNAL EMAIL]FW: North Brevard Economic Development Zone
Attachments: NBEDZ Request.pdf

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Good Morning,

Attached please find letter received by the D1 Commission Office. The constituent is unable to attend and would like it distributed to all the Commissioners.

Kind regards,

Cathy

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Cathy Lively  
Agenda Coordinator  
Brevard County Board of County Commissioners  
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Cathy.Lively@brevardfl.gov



**From:** Commissioner, D1 <D1.Commissioner@brevardfl.gov>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 8, 2025 11:45 AM  
**To:** Lively, Cathy <Cathy.Lively@brevardfl.gov>  
**Subject:** Fw: North Brevard Economic Development Zone

Good morning,

As per our phone conversation. Could this attachment be sent to all the commissioners. This is written to all the commissioner.

Sincerely,

Ruth Amato  
*Administrative Aide to the County Commissioner*  
*County Commissioner Katie Delaney District 1*  
7101 S US Hwy 1  
South Titusville, FL 32780  
321-607-6901

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**From:** Justin Hilligoss <[hilligossjustin@gmail.com](mailto:hilligossjustin@gmail.com)>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 8, 2025 10:27 AM  
**To:** Commissioner, D1 <[D1.Commissioner@brevardfl.gov](mailto:D1.Commissioner@brevardfl.gov)>  
**Subject:** Re: North Brevard Economic Development Zone

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Good Morning,

Please see the attachment explaining the positive impact NBEDZ has had for our small businesses. A copy of this letter has been sent to the other Commissioners listed above. Feel free to use this in the public comments for the meeting if applicable.

Respectfully,  
Justin Hilligoss

On Mon, Apr 7, 2025 at 5:01 PM Justin Hilligoss <[hilligossjustin@gmail.com](mailto:hilligossjustin@gmail.com)> wrote:

Understood, I will make sure to send a copy to each Commissioner

On Mon, Apr 7, 2025 at 4:59 PM Commissioner, D1 <[D1.Commissioner@brevardfl.gov](mailto:D1.Commissioner@brevardfl.gov)> wrote:

Good evening,

The email is most beneficial if all the Commissioners receive one.

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Thank you for your time

Sincerely,

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**From:** Commissioner, D1  
**Sent:** Monday, April 7, 2025 4:19 PM  
**To:** hilligossjustin@gmail.com <hilligossjustin@gmail.com>  
**Subject:** North Brevard Economic Development Zone

Good afternoon Mr. Hilligoss,

On behalf of Commissioner Delaney, we wanted to let you know about the Commission meeting tomorrow at 5pm. Tomorrow another Commissioner is bring forth Agenda Item J.2. I will provide a link on at the bottom of this email to the Agenda. This Agenda item is to eliminate the TIF payments to NBEDZ. Anyone can come and speak on this item or send an email to be apart of the public record. Since you have had experiences with NBEDZ, we thought you might be interested in these options.

<https://brevardfl.legistar.com/MeetingDetail.aspx?ID=1237309&GUID=016E22D6-04B0-4BE6-89C6-601A5BC625FC&Options=info|&Search=>

2725 Judge Fran Jamieson Way Viera, FL 32940 Agenda Tuesday, April 8, 2025 at 5pm

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