

ALACHUA COUNTY  
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

**RESOLUTION NO. 2022 -\_\_**

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ALACHUA COUNTY, FLORIDA; RE-ESTABLISHING THE ALACHUA COUNTY PUBLIC SAFETY COORDINATING COUNCIL; ESTABLISHING THE COMPOSITION THEREOF; PROVIDING FOR THE MEETINGS AND OPERATIONS; PROVIDING FOR AMENDMENT; PROVIDING TERMS AND UPDATES; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

**WHEREAS**, Section 951.26, Florida Statutes requires the establishment of county public safety coordinating councils; and

**WHEREAS**, in 1998 the Board of County Commissioners of Alachua County, Florida (the “Board”) adopted Resolution 98-45 establishing a Public Safety Coordinating Council for Alachua County, Florida (the “Council”); and

**WHEREAS**, in 2016 the Board adopted Resolution 2016-35 rescinding and restating Resolution 98-45, adding additional membership to the Council and establishing certain responsibilities and duties of the Council; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board desires to rescind and restate Resolution 2016-35, to modify the membership composition of the Council to be more consistent with that provided for in Section 951.26, Florida Statutes.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ALACHUA COUNTY, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:**

1. Recitals. The above recitals are correct and incorporated herein.
2. Re-establish. Resolution 2016-35 is hereby rescinded and restated to provide as follows:

**SECTION 1. Establishment of the Public Safety Coordinating Council.** The Board of County Commissioners of Alachua County, Florida, hereinafter referred to as the “Board”, hereby establishes the Alachua County Public Safety Coordinating Council, hereinafter referred to as the “Council”.

**SECTION 2. Composition.** As of the effective date of this Resolution, the composition of the Council will be as follows:

- a. The State Attorney, or an Assistant State Attorney designated by the State Attorney.
- b. The Public Defender, or an Assistant Public Defender designated by the Public Defender.
- c. The Chief Circuit Judge, or another Circuit Judge designed by the Chief Circuit Judge.
- d. A County Judge designated by the Chief Circuit Judge.
- e. Chief Correctional Officer.
- f. The Sheriff, or a member designated by the Sheriff.
- g. The State Probation Circuit Administrator, or a member designated by the State Probation Circuit Administrator.
- h. The Chair of the Alachua County Board of County Commissioners, or another County Commissioner as designee.
- i. The Director of the County probation or pretrial intervention program.
- j. The District Manager of the Department of Juvenile Justice, or designee.
- k. The Director of a local substance abuse treatment program, or a member designated by the Director of the program.
- l. One representative from a County or State jobs programs or other community groups who work with offenders and victims, as appointed by the Chair of the

Board of County Commissioners.

- m. The Chief of Police of the City of Gainesville or designee.

**SECTION 3. Meetings.**

- a. The Council will meet at the call of the Chair for the purpose of assessing the population status of all detention or correctional facilities owned or contracted by the County, and formulating recommendations to ensure that the capacities of such facilities are not exceeded. Such recommendations shall include an assessment of the availability of pretrial intervention or probation programs, work-release programs, substance abuse programs, gain-time schedules, applicable bail bond schedules, and the confinement status of the inmates housed within each facility owned or contracted by the County.
- b. The County staff liaison will aid the Chair in preparing and distributing the agenda, which, except for special meetings, shall be mailed electronically or via US Mail to each member of the Council at least five (5) days prior to the next meeting. The Chair, County staff liaison, County Manager, or any member of the Council may place an item on the agenda by notifying the staff liaison at least seven (7) prior to the publication of the agenda.
- c. The Board will provide a staff liaison to support to the Council in preparing and distributing the agenda, providing public notice of each meeting, and preparing minutes of each meeting.
- d. A majority of the Council membership positions filled shall constitute a quorum. Recommendations and decisions of the Council must be made by a majority vote of those present and voting.
- e. Members of the Council shall receive no compensation for the performance of

their duties and responsibilities.

- f. The Council may appoint individuals or members, as necessary, to a subcommittee. Each standing subcommittee will elect a Chair and Vice-Chair and meetings will be conducted at the call of the Chair of the subcommittee.
- g. All meetings of the Council and its subcommittees, as well as its records, books, documents, and papers, are open and available to the public in accordance with Section 119.07, Florida Statutes and Section 286.011, Florida Statutes. A reasonable opportunity for public comment will be provided at each Council meeting.

**SECTION 5. Term.** Except for the constitutional officers and elected officials, the members are appointed to the Council for 4-year terms and may be reappointed upon approval of the Chair of the Board of County Commissioners. A member may re-appointed.

3. **Effective Date.** This Resolution shall become effective upon approval by the Board of County Commissioners of Alachua County, Florida (“effective date”). Upon the effective date, this Resolution repeals any prior resolutions regarding the Public Safety Coordinating Council.

**DULY ADOPTED** in regular session, this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2022.

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF  
ALACHUA COUNTY, FLORIDA**

ATTEST:

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J.K. “Jess” Irby, Esq.  
Clerk of Court

BY: \_\_\_\_\_  
Marihelen Wheeler, Chair  
Board of County Commissioners

APPROVED AS TO FORM

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County Attorney

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