

**SEMINOLE COUNTY GOVERNMENT
AGENDA MEMORANDUM**

SUBJECT: LEGISLATIVE BRIEFING

DEPARTMENT: County Manager's Office **DIVISION** Steve Lee **EXT.** 5741
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Agenda Date 01/11/05 **Regular** **Consent** **Work Session** **Briefing**
Public Hearing – 1:30 **Public Hearing – 7:00**

Update as of 1/5/05

Top Legislative Priorities

1. Support Deferred Compensation Plan – The ability to piggyback off the State Plan.
2. Car Rental Surcharge – Support adoption of a new per diem charge as a local option (including a referendum requirement if necessary in order to secure passage of the bill).
3. Support inclusion of a Local Sources First Policy in Florida Statutes, Chapter 373 – Oppose any amendment to Florida's Water Resource Policy which allows, encourages, or promotes water transfers.
4. Oppose any attempts at shifting the costs of Government services and programs from the state to counties, such as:

Department of Juvenile Justice (DJJ) Cost - SB 4A- by Justice Appropriations Committee
 Senators Christ, Lynn, and Villalobos

Bill amends:

- Remove the responsibility of the Chief Financial Officer to withhold funds from counties that refuse to pay their required share of the cost of juvenile detention.
- Removes language requiring other states to cover the cost of detaining juveniles who are not residents of the State of Florida.
- Adds language that counties are not responsible for the cost of non-medical educational and therapeutic services delivered to juveniles in secure detention.
- Appropriate 65.1 million of non recurring general revenue funds for FY 04/05.
- Delays the effective date of the current law until July 1, 2005.

Vote Breakdown of Florida Legislators representing Seminole County Government:

- YES – Senator Carey Baker, District 20
- YES – Senator Lee Constantine, District 22
- YES - Senator Bill Posey, District 24
- YES – Senator Daniel Webster, District 9
- YES – Representative Sandra “Sandy “ Adams, District 33
- YES – Representative D. Alan Hays, District 25
- YES – Representative David J. Meador, District 34
- YES – Representative David Simmons, District 37

5. FEMA Hurricane Related Issues

- a) Reimbursement for debris removal in gated subdivisions and on private roads.
- b) Timing of Reimbursements to offset impact on local budget.

6. **Other Items of Interest**

- A. **Wireless Emergency Telephone System** - (SB2774/HB 1495) by Sen. Mike Bennett - 8th Draft/Carry over from 2004 session. The bills provide legislative intent regarding emergency wireless telephone system; provides standards for local governments to follow when regulating placement, construction, or modification of wireless communications facility.
- B. **Growth Management** - Sen. Bennett has filed a shell bill (SB 360) The proposal for the shell bill includes changes to Florida’s growth management laws/rules. First, the Department of Community Affairs has issued two draft documents: one addressing general growth management issues under Ch. 163 and Rule 9J-5, while the other addresses changes in the Development of Regional Impact (DRI) process under Ch. 380, F.S.

7. Funding Request – Community Budget Request for 2005

a) I-4/Greenway Interchange - Construction Cost	\$4,000,000
b) State Road 415 – Expand to 4-Lanes - Construction Cost	\$2,500,000
c) State Road 46 – Expand to 4-Lanes - Design Cost	\$ 2,000,000
d) State Road 46 and I-4 - - ROW Cost	\$10,000,000
e) State Road 434 and Interstate 4 Interchange – Interchange Reconstruction - Design Cost	\$3,500,000
f) Middle St. John's River Basin Initiative-	\$4,000,000
g) Regional Alternative Water Supply Testing Program -	\$2,400,000
h) Historical Museum Complex Expansion Project -	\$300,000
TOTAL	\$28,700,000

FDOT Tentively
Approved Funding

