

**SEMINOLE COUNTY GOVERNMENT  
AGENDA MEMORANDUM**

**SUBJECT:** Spring Lake Aquatic Weed Control MSBU

**DEPARTMENT:** Fiscal Services **DIVISION:** MSBU Program

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| <b>Agenda Date</b> <u>12/12/06</u> | <b>Regular</b> <input type="checkbox"/>               | <b>Consent X</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <b>Work Session</b> <input type="checkbox"/>          | <b>Briefing</b> <input type="checkbox"/> |
|                                    | <b>Public Hearing – 1:30</b> <input type="checkbox"/> |  | <b>Public Hearing – 7:00</b> <input type="checkbox"/> |  |

**MOTION/RECOMMENDATION:**

Approval and authorization for the MSBU Program to schedule and advertise a public hearing for the purpose of giving consideration to adopting an ordinance to create "Spring Lake Aquatic Weed Control Municipal Services Benefit Unit".

**BACKGROUND:**

Property owners have expressed desire to enter into an MSBU for aquatic weed control for Spring Lake. The Petition for Improvement distributed on October 18, 2006, demonstrated a support rate of in excess of 65% relative to the seventy-six properties subject to benefit from the improvements. If the requested MSBU is approved, the aquatic weed control improvements will be provided and monitored through contracted services provided by a lake management agency. Based on current treatment recommendations, cost estimates and financing plans, the estimated assessment for the first year is proposed at \$470.00 per benefit unit; \$365.00 the second year; and \$150.00 for the third and subsequent years. It is anticipated that assessment amount will vary annually according to lake conditions and treatment recommendations.

Spring Lake is listed as an impaired water body. The Lake Management Program within the Stormwater Division has evaluated this lake and the proposed MSBU. The Lake Management Program has communicated that if this MSBU is created, the lake meets the criteria outlined for supplemental funding, and that the funds necessary to provide the initial corrective treatment will be available from the Lake Management budget. The availability of supplemental funding from the Lake Management Program has been taken into consideration in the referenced non-ad valorem assessment calculations.

Approximately 80% of the properties located along the Spring Lake water front are within unincorporated Seminole County and 20% are within the taxing district of the City of Altamonte Springs. All properties within both taxing districts were included in the petition process. The City of Altamonte Springs has expressed support for this proposed MSBU and an inter-local agreement defining expectations and responsibilities is anticipated. The City of Altamonte Springs has expressed plans to create an Ordinance to enable assessment levy through the MSBU Program.

The proposed area is in Commission District 3.

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