

RESOLUTION R-26-125

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MANATEE COUNTY, FLORIDA, APPROVING AN AMENDMENT TO THE MANATEE COUNTY 2024–2027 LOCAL HOUSING ASSISTANCE PLAN TO ADD A MANUFACTURED HOUSING STRATEGY AS REQUIRED BY STATE LAW; AUTHORIZING SUBMISSION OF THE AMENDED LOCAL HOUSING ASSISTANCE PLAN TO THE FLORIDA HOUSING FINANCE CORPORATION; AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR OR DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE REQUIRED DOCUMENTS; PROVIDING FOR CONTINUATION OF ALL OTHER PROVISIONS OF THE APPROVED LOCAL HOUSING ASSISTANCE PLAN; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the State of Florida enacted the William E. Sadowski Affordable Housing Act, Chapter 92-317 of Florida Sessions Laws, allocating a portion of documentary stamp taxes on deeds to local governments for the development and maintenance of affordable housing; and

WHEREAS, the State Housing Initiatives Partnership Act, Sections 420.907–420.9079, Florida Statutes, and Chapter 67-37, Florida Administrative Code, establish requirements for eligible local governments to develop and implement a Local Housing Assistance Plan (“LHAP”) describing how State Housing Initiatives Partnership (“SHIP”) funds will be used to address local affordable housing needs; and

WHEREAS, Manatee County is an eligible local government participating in the SHIP Program and has an approved LHAP for fiscal years 2024–2025, 2025–2026, and 2026–2027;

WHEREAS, the Manatee County LHAP establishes the strategies, eligibility requirements, maximum awards, and other requirements governing the use of SHIP funds by the County; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 2026-173, Laws of Florida, enacted through Senate Bill 594 (“SB 594”), amended Florida's SHIP requirements relating to mobile and manufactured housing, including requirements relating to strategies for providing assistance to mobile home owners and authorizing the use of SHIP funds for eligible activities, including lot rental assistance and the rehabilitation and emergency repair of mobile homes, subject to the requirements and limitations established by law; and

WHEREAS, the amendments enacted by Chapter 2026-173, Laws of Florida, became effective July 1, 2026; and

WHEREAS, and the Florida Housing Finance Corporation (“FHFC”) administers the SHIP Program and establishes requirements applicable to Local Housing Assistance Plans consistent with Sections 420.907–420.9079, Florida Statutes, and Chapter 67-37, Florida Administrative Code; and

WHEREAS, Manatee County desires to amend its approved 2024–2027 LHAP to incorporate a

Manufactured Housing Strategy that will provide eligible households residing in qualifying manufactured housing with access to SHIP assistance consistent with applicable Florida Statutes, Florida Administrative Code, and FHFC requirements; and

WHEREAS, the proposed amendment is limited to the addition of the Manufactured Housing Strategy and related revisions necessary to implement the strategy and does not otherwise alter the remaining strategies, policies, or provisions of the approved Manatee County 2024–2027 LHAP; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners finds that approval and submission of the amended LHAP is in the best interest of Manatee County and is necessary to maintain the County's eligibility to participate in the SHIP Program and receive its SHIP allocation.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MANATEE COUNTY, FLORIDA that:

Section 1: The Board of County Commissioners hereby approves the amendment to the Manatee County 2024–2027 Local Housing Assistance Plan to incorporate the Manufactured Housing Strategy and related provisions, attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

Section 2: The Chairman, County Administrator, or designee, is authorized to submit the amended Local Housing Assistance Plan to the Florida Housing Finance Corporation and to execute any required documents, certifications, or other instruments necessary to obtain approval and implement the amendment, consistent with this Resolution and applicable law. conditions of said program.

Section 3: This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 22nd DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2026.

**ATTEST: ANGELINA COLONNESO
CLERK OF THE COURT AND COMPTROLLER**

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF
MANATEE COUNTY, FLORIDA**

By: _____

Robin Pettit
Deputy Clerk



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Chairman