



AGENDA REQUEST

12.A.1.

2026-923

REGULAR AGENDA -

ADMINISTRATION

DATE: **7/21/2026**

*ACTION ITEM - BOARD

APPROVAL

QUASI-JUDICIAL ITEM? No

TO: Board of County Commissioners

PRESENTED BY: George Landry, County Administrator

SUBMITTED BY: Administration

SUBJECT: Rescheduling a Referendum Election on November 2028 for a Proposed 0.5 Percent Local Government Infrastructure Surtax

BACKGROUND:

The County Administrator has discussed with the Board the need for a proposed extension to the existing 0.5 percent infrastructure surtax. Proceeds from the surtax, if approved, would be used to improve public roads, reduce traffic congestion, reduce neighborhood flooding, improve local water quality and other similar uses. Implementation of the proposed surtax requires that the Board adopt an ordinance that directs the Supervisor of Elections to schedule a referendum election to allow the qualified electors of the County to vote on the levy of the proposed surtax.

On March 17, 2026, the Board adopted Ordinance No. 26-004 which scheduled a referendum on November 3, 2026, to allow the electors to consider continuing levying the 0.5 percent infrastructure surtax.

The County Administrator received additional direction from the Board during the July 13, 2026 Budget Workshop to reschedule the referendum for the 2028 general election.

PREVIOUS ACTION:

On April 3, 2018, the Board approved Ordinance No. 18-004 levying a local government infrastructure 0.5% surtax which took effect January 1, 2019, after a county-wide referendum election.

On February 17, 2026, the Board approved permission to advertise Ordinance No. 26-004.

On March 17, 2026, the Board approved Ordinance No. 26-004.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

Proceeds from the proposed surtax, if approved, would be used to improve public roads, reduce traffic congestion, reduce neighborhood flooding, improve local water quality and other similar uses. The proceeds

would be distributed to the County and municipalities pursuant to the formula set out in Section 218.62, Florida Statutes.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends the Board grant permission to reschedule the referendum for the 2028 general election.

COMMISSION ACTION:

RESULT:

MOVER: None

SECONDER: None

AYES: None

NAYS: None

EXCUSED: None

Coordination/Signatures



Katherine Barbieri, County Attorney

Date: July 15, 2026



George Landry, County Administrator

Date: July 15, 2026