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MEDIA RELEASE

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Upcoming BOCC workshops/public hearings on various topics

(Brooksville, FL) The Hernando County Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) will hold the following upcoming workshops and public hearings. A short description for each is listed below along with the workshop/public meeting date. In accordance with Fifth Judicial Circuit Administrative Order A-2020-12-F, all members of the public entering the Hernando County Courthouse, located at 20 N. Main Street in Brooksville, and wishing to provide public comment during these workshops/public hearings will be required to answer a health screening questionnaire, wear a face covering throughout the public areas of the courthouse and practice social distancing by remaining 6 feet from others.

FY 2020-2021 Budget Calendar

The Office of Management and Budget will present the Fiscal Year (FY) 2020-2021 Budget for Hernando County to the BOCC on the following dates in the John Law Ayers room located on the first floor of the Government Center at 20 North Main Street in Brooksville:

- Budget workshop
 - Present FY2020-2021 Recommended Budget
 - July 7, 2020 beginning at 9 a.m.
- Regularly scheduled BOCC meetings
 - Set Maximum Millage Rate
 - July 28, 2020 beginning at 9 a.m.
 - Present FY 2021-2025 Five-Year Capital Improvement Plan
 - September 8, 2020 beginning at 9 a.m.
- Public Hearings
 - Present FY 2020-2021 Tentative Millage and Budget
 - September 9, 2020 beginning at 5:01 p.m.
 - Adopt FY 2020-2021 Final Millage and Budget
 - September 22, 2020 beginning at 5:01 p.m.

The FY 2020-2021 proposed budget may be viewed at www.HernandoCounty.us after the July 7 workshop. The final approved budget for FY 2020-2021 may be viewed online once it has been approved by the Board on September 22.

Contact the Office of Management and Budget at (352) 754-4004 for more information.

Fertilizer Ordinance

The BOCC will hold a public workshop on September 1, 2020 beginning at 9 a.m. in the John Law Ayers room, located on the first floor of the Government Center at 20 North Main Street in Brooksville, to discuss the current Hernando County fertilizer ordinance ([Ordinance No. 2013-34](#)). The current ordinance restricts the application of fertilizer containing nitrogen or phosphorus to turf during the season of plant dormancy, from January 1 through March 31, unless you are a trained, certified and registered applicator per the terms of the ordinance. Only slow or controlled release fertilizer can be applied during this timeframe.

Subject matter experts will give presentations on this topic and public comment will be taken. Contact the Hernando County Utilities Department at (352) 754-4037 for more information.

Weeki Wachee Carrying Capacity Study

The BOCC will hold a public workshop on September 1, 2020 beginning at 1 p.m. in the John Law Ayers room, located on the first floor of the Government Center at 20 North Main Street in Brooksville, to discuss the Weeki Wachee Carrying Capacity Study. The Carrying Capacity Study was performed by a hired vendor, Wood Environment & Infrastructure Solutions, Inc., from July 2018 through June 2019. The vendor will present their key findings to the Board and public comment will be taken on this topic.

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