



AGENDA MEMORANDUM

City Manager

City Council Workshop Meeting Date: November 12, 2024

To: City Council
From: Dana A. Souza, City Manager
Date: November 6, 2024

SUBJECT: Appointment to the Lee County Disaster Advisory Council

BACKGROUND:

The Lee County Disaster Advisory Council was established to advise the Lee County Board of County Commissioners on issues related to emergency preparedness and recovery efforts. Police Chief William Dalton has served as Sanibel's representative on this County committee for several years. In October, Lee County notified me that Sanibel and other jurisdictions need to reappoint a representative.

The County's website states that the purpose of the committee is to provide advise on the following:

1. Identifying opportunities to mitigate future loss of life and property damage through the management of recovery and reconstruction.
2. Establishing special committees and subcommittees within the Disaster Advisory Council to address specific issues arising during the disaster recovery process.
3. Advising the County on relevant recovery and reconstruction issues.
4. Making recommendations for participation in federal and state post-disaster hazard mitigation planning.
5. Provide input on the County's major emergency planning documents, including:
 - a. Lee County Joint Local Mitigation Strategy (LMS)
 - b. Lee County Hazard Identification and Risk Assessment (HIRA)
 - c. Lee County Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan (CEMP)
 - d. Lee County Cost Recovery Plan
 - e. Lee County Disaster Recovery Plan f. Lee County HMGP Project Prioritization List
6. Monitoring and reporting on the recovery process following a disaster, including recommendations on modifications to plans, Ordinances, or Codes to improve future response and recovery.

[Click here](#) to view the County's webpage for the Disaster Advisory Council.

Sanibel is and shall remain a barrier island sanctuary

In speaking with Ben Abes, Director of Lee County's Department of Public Safety, the committee is best served by having a staff member who has direct knowledge of the City's emergency management and response efforts. Based on that conversation, I recommend that Police Chief William Dalton be reappointed to the Lee County Disaster Advisory Council

FUNDING SOURCE: N/A.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Appoint Police Chief William Dalton to serve as Sanibel's representative on the Lee County Disaster Advisory Committee.