2020 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

After-Action Report
March 24, 2020
QUICK STATISTICS

► 3,517 bills and resolutions were filed during the 2020 legislative cycle...
► 412 bills passed their house of origin...
► 207 bills and resolutions survived the 2020 Regular Session...
► Governor DeSantis now has 15 days from receipt of a bill to sign or veto – otherwise it becomes law without his signature...
► 653 bills were on the Collier County tracking list...
SESSION HIGHLIGHTS: CORONAVIRUS BUDGET

- $25 million in State General Revenue to the Dept. of Health...
- $27 million from the Federal Grants Trust Fund to the Dept. of Health (from the first emergency congressional appropriation, HR 6074, which provided $8.3 billion)...
- $300 million set aside by the State in reserve...
SESSION HIGHLIGHTS: VACATION RENTALS

- Passed the House…
- Made it to its final Senate committee stop (Rules)…
- Governor DeSantis weighs in: “micromanaging”…
SESSION HIGHLIGHTS: CLEAN WATERWAYS ACT

► Transfers regulation of septic tanks from the Dept. of Health to the Dept. of Environmental Protection.

► Directs DEP to assess Basin Management Action Plans.

► Increases fines for wastewater violations.

► Establishes a 50% matching state & local grant program to connect septic tanks to sewer systems, upgrade septic systems and enact other wastewater improvements.
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- Creates regulations for agricultural use of fertilizers and requires farmers to provide fertilizer records and submit to onsite inspections.

- Authorizes the Dept. of Agriculture and Consumer Services to collaborate with academic institutions to develop Best Management Practices for reducing nutrients.
Visit Florida extended until 2023, with $50 million in funding for the next fiscal year…

$100 million for the Florida Forever land acquisition program…

$370 million for the Sadowski Affordable Housing Trust Fund…

$50 million for DEP’s Beach Management Funding Assistance Program…

$1.1 million for Naples Bay Red Tide Septic Tank Mitigation Program – Phase II… BCC Adopted a Resolution of Support
PROJECT FUNDING REQUESTS

- Cocohatchee River Critical Dredge – Ask: $600K  $100K Funded
- Golden Gate City Master Plan – Ask: $500K
- Golden Gate City Outfall Phase I – Ask: $200K  $100K Funded
- Goodland Drive Rehabilitation Project – Ask: $1 Million
- SF Regional Shelter & Continuing Operations Center – Ask: $8 Million
Staff from the Florida Department of Veterans’ Affairs will be coming to Collier County to visit the proposed Golden Gate site once the statewide coronavirus emergency has abated.
DEFENSE!  DEFENSE!!  DEFENSE!!!

▼ Ian Barnwell – Growth Management
▼ Diane DiPascale – Public Utilities
▼ Joshua Thomas – Public Services
▼ Lee Willer-Spector – Administrative Services