

# WEST VILLAGES IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT

# CITY OF NORTH PORT SARASOTA COUNTY REGULAR BOARD MEETING MARCH 20, 2025 1:00 P.M.

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#### AGENDA WEST VILLAGES IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT Chambers Room – City of North Port 4970 City Hall Boulevard North Port, Florida 34286 REGULAR BOARD MEETING March 20, 2025 <u>1:00 p.m.</u>

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### NOTICE OF BOARD MEETING WEST VILLAGES IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Supervisors (Board) of the West Villages Improvement District (District) will hold a Board Meeting (Meeting) on March 20, 2025, at 1:00 P.M. via telephone communication and in the Chambers Room of the City of North Port located at 4970 City Hall Boulevard, North Port, Florida 34286.

The Meeting is open to the public and will be conducted in accordance with the provisions of Florida law for improvement districts. A copy of the agenda and information on how to access the telephone communication information for this meeting may be obtained by accessing the Districts website at www.westvillagesid.org or by contacting the office of the District Manager, Special District Services, Inc., located at 2501-A Burns Road, Palm Beach Gardens, Florida 33410, (941) 244-2805, during normal business hours. This Meeting may be continued to a date, time, and place to be specified on the record at the meeting.

Note that the telephone communication is being provided by the District as a courtesy to members of the public who desire to listen to the meeting remotely, but attendees utilizing this telephone communication will not be able to participate in the public hearing or meeting. Any person utilizing the telephone communication platform desiring to provide public comments at such public hearing and/or meeting must attend in person. There may be occasions when one or more Supervisors will participate by telephone. At the above location will be present a speaker telephone so that any interested person can attend the meeting and be fully informed of the discussions taking place either in person or by telephone communication. The meeting may be continued in progress without additional notice to a time, date, and location stated on the record Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this Meeting is asked to advise the District Office at least forty-eight (48) hours prior to the meeting by contacting the District Manager at 941-244-2805. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the Florida Relay Service by dialing 7-1-1, or 1-800-955-8771 (TTY)/1-800-955-8770 (Voice), for aid in contacting the District Manager.

Each person who decides to appeal any action taken at this Meeting is advised that person will need a record of the proceedings and that accordingly, the person may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, including the testimony and evidence upon which such appeal is to be based.

William Crosley, District Manager

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#### Remarks by WVID Chairman John Luczynski Public Decorum at WVID Board of Supervisors Meetings Draft: February 19, 2025

I'd like to take a few moments today to review the West Villages Improvement District public comment policy, specifically as it relates to public decorum during meetings and workshops.

The WVID policy includes guidelines governing decorum at public meetings and workshops, particularly when addressing the Board of Supervisors. However, outbursts during meetings made it clear it was not only necessary for the Board to review the policy but also take steps to ensure it is being properly enforced.

The policy, which was approved in 2016, definitively states:

- Community members wishing to speak must direct their comments to the Board as a whole, not a specific member of the Board or any staff member.
- No person, other than a Board member or staff member, can enter into a discussion with a public speaker while they are speaking, without the permission of the chairman or presiding officer.
- Speakers and attendees must refrain from disruptive behavior, making vulgar or threatening remarks, or launching personal attacks against the Board, staff or community members.

The WVID policy gives the chairman or presiding officer the discretion to remove attendees who disregard the rules from the meetings. In this scenario, the presiding office may declare a recess and contact local law enforcement. If a person does not immediately leave the premise, the presiding office may request that the person be placed under arrest.

The prevalence of disruptive behavior by some attendees has proven there is a need to strictly enforce the WVID public comment and public decorum policy. This includes adding a law enforcement presence, who will have the authority to remove attendees who have been deemed unruly and out of order.

The WVID Board of Supervisors encourages citizen participation and appreciates civil feedback from attendees.

## MARCH 7, 2025 SPECIAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES

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#### NOTICE OF THE WEST VILLAGES IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT

#### ATTORNEY-CLIENT SESSION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the West Villages Improvement District (the District) will hold an attorney-client session of its Board of Supervisors (the Board) at the Board meeting on March 20, 2025, at 1:00 P.M. in the Chambers Room of the City of North Port located at 4970 City Hall Boulevard, North Port, Florida 34286. The attorney-client session may be continued to a date, time and place approved by the Board on the record without additional publication of notice.

The attorney-client session, which is closed to the public, will be held to discuss settlement negotiations or strategy sessions related to litigation expenditures. This meeting is being held pursuant to Section 286.011(8), Florida Statutes. The following persons are anticipated to be in attendance at the attorney-client session: each of the Districts Board Supervisors who are not otherwise conflicted from such attendance, District Manager William Crosley, District Counsel Lindsay Whelan and Joseph Brown, and a court reporter. The attorney-client session is expected to begin after the commencement of the regularly scheduled Board meeting and to last approximately thirty (30) minutes. During the attorney-client session the individuals identified above will meet in private. Upon conclusion of the attorney-client session, the public will be invited into the Board meeting, and the Board meeting will continue to consider any business of the District.

**District Manager** 

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