AGENDA ITEM WORDING: Approval of a resolution amending Section 1.03 b) Sounding Board of the BOCC Administrative Procedures.

ITEM BACKGROUND: The Board’s Administrative Procedures provide for a process by which members of the community can initiate a discussion item on the BOCC’s agenda. This process is called Sounding Board. Section 1.03 b) of the BOCC Administrative Procedures sets forth the rules for Sounding Board. Following discussion at the BOCC 7/17/19 meeting, the Board directed the County Attorney to bring proposed revisions to the current language in the BOCC Administrative Procedures regarding Sounding Board.

The attached resolution revises Section 1.03 b) Sounding Board as follows (proposed deleted language appears as stricken through, new language appears as underlined; language that is moved from one section to another will be stricken through and underlined as appropriate):

b) Sounding Board: A separate section of the regular meeting agenda will be reserved for Sounding Board. Sounding Board must be scheduled for a time approximate for public convenience. The purpose of the Sounding Board is to allow individuals to address the County Commission on a matter pertaining to County government, excluding matters in litigation and complaints against specific personnel. The initial speaker on an item—whether representing him or herself, or a non-profit organization—may address the County Commission for a period up to ten minutes. Subsequent speakers who are speaking for themselves on the same item may speak for three minutes. A subsequent speaker on the same item may address the County Commission on behalf of another nonprofit organization for five minutes. Individuals who wish to utilize Sounding Board must contact the County Administrator's Office in writing in order to be scheduled on the agenda, must specify the subject matter of the presentation, and must submit the request to the County Administrator’s Office by comply with the agenda deadlines established by the Board each year, in this Section 1.03. Sounding board shall be scheduled to be heard at the end of the agenda. The individual requesting that an item be added to the Sounding Board section of the
agenda may address the Board for a period of up to five minutes. Subsequent speakers on that item may address the Board for three minutes. An individual who initiates a Sounding Board item may not initiate another Sounding Board item on that same topic for six months. No action may be taken by the County Commission on an item on the Sounding Board agenda.

The following is a clean version of the proposed new language:

b) Sounding Board: A separate section of the regular meeting agenda will be reserved for Sounding Board. The purpose of the Sounding Board is to allow individuals to address the County Commission on a matter pertaining to County government, excluding matters in litigation and complaints against specific personnel. Individuals who wish to utilize Sounding Board must contact the County Administrator's Office in writing in order to be scheduled on the agenda, must specify the subject matter of the presentation, and must submit the request to the County Administrator’s Office by the agenda deadlines established by the Board each year. Sounding board shall be scheduled to be heard at the end of the agenda. The individual requesting that an item be added to the Sounding Board section of the agenda may address the Board for a period of up to five minutes. Subsequent speakers on that item may address the Board for three minutes. An individual who initiates a Sounding Board item may not initiate another Sounding Board item on that same topic for six months. No action may be taken by the County Commission on an item on the Sounding Board agenda.

PREVIOUS RELEVANT BOCC ACTION:

7/17/19 (O1) BOCC directed the County Attorney to bring proposed revised language for the BOCC Administrative Procedure regarding Sounding Board to the Board for consideration

CONTRACT/AGREEMENT CHANGES:
Amend Sec. 1.03 b) Sounding Board

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: Approval

DOCUMENTATION:
STAMPED Resolution amending Sec. 1.03 b) of BOCC Admin Procedures re Sounding Board
CURRENT Sec. 1.-03 b) Sounding Board, BOCC Administrative Procedures

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

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