Public Hearing Agenda Item #27 Citizen Comments for the meeting of July 8, 2025

PUBLIC HEARING

27. First and Only Public Hearing to Approve a Resolution Imposing Non-Ad Valorem Assessments for Sewer Service for Certain Property in the Killearn Lakes Plantation Subdivision Units I and II, and a Resolution Adopting the Non-Ad Valorem Assessment Roll, and Certification of the Entire Roll to the Tax Collector (County Administration / Public Works)

This update provides citizen comments received after the agenda was published on June 30, 2025.

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Melissa Hiatt 1749 Broken Bow Trail Tallhassee, Florida 32312

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July 1, 2025

My name is Melissa Hiatt I strongly **oppose** the Non-Ad Valorem Assessment roll for the Killearn Lakes Plantation Subdivision units 1 and 2.

I am on septic and I will never sign up for the sewage system. This is nothing but socialism on steroids. We live in a democracy and I am not paying for someone else's service.

Seven years ago when I purchased my home from my parents estate. I received the yearly property tax bill and the fee was \$189 a year. I called everyone at the city explaining that I am on septic and everyone just told me I had to pay it. With no explanation.

Last year I got a letter about the meeting when you raised it to over \$440 five days after the meeting or I would have been there to oppose it. I will be at this meeting ready to fight for my rights as a citizen.

Sincerely,

Melissa Hiatt



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RE: Objection- Killearn Lakes Plantation Subdivision Units 1 and 2 Notice to Property Owners of Non-Ad Valorem Assessment

Leon County Board:

The purpose of this correspondence is to submit written objections to the Notice of Non-Ad Valorem Assessment to be imposed on my unit in Killearn Lakes, and all other units in Plantation Subdivision Units 1 and 2, as set forth in the attached Notice. These objections are being submitted timely, within 20 days of the date of the Notice (June 16, 2025).

The written objections are based upon the invalidity of imposing this Non-Ad Valorem Assessment. When we met with both City and County staff, attended information sessions with that same staff, and attended County Commission meetings, the assessment of funds to pay for the transition to City service was not disclosed or discussed. We were advised repeatedly that the only requirement to be imposed upon homeowners in Killearn Lakes Units 1 and 2 was a mandatory hook up to the City system when a home was sold.

Because of this Notice, please also consider this a Request for Public Records, pursuant to Ch. 119, Florida Statutes. Prior to the imposition of any fee or service charge, please advise me if the task of responding to this public records request will require extensive use of information technology resources or extensive clerical or supervisory assistance more than \$200.00, pursuant to Section 119.07(4)(d), Florida Statutes.

In addition, please advise if you are claiming any exemption for the non-production of any public records. If any records are claimed to be exempt, we expect you will comply with the requirements of Section 119.07(1)(e), Florida Statutes, and provide the basis for such exemption. Public records requested:

- 1. 2005 Interlocal Agreement between Leon County, Florida and the City of Tallahassee (as referenced in the attached Notice).
- 2. Any changes made to the 2005 Interlocal Agreement between Leon County, Florida and the City of Tallahassee, from 2005 to the present date.
- 3. Notices of any public meetings at which changes to the 2005 Interlocal Agreement between Leon County, Florida and the City of Tallahassee, were agendaed and/or discussed.
- 4. All email exchanges between the Leon County Board of County Commissioners, and Vincent S. Long, County Administrator, and any member of the City of Tallahassee staff, regarding this Non- Ad Valorem Assessment, from 2005 to the present date.
- 5. All email exchanges between Parwez Alam, Former County Administrator, and any member of the City of Tallahassee staff, regarding this Non- Ad Valorem Assessment, from 2004 to the present date.
- 6. All documents (including letters, emails, text messages, flyers, etc.) provided by the Leon County Commission or any members of its staff, to the residents of Killearn Lakes Plantation Units 1 and 2, regarding the transition to the City of Tallahassee sewer system, from 2002 to the present date.
- 7. All documents (including letters, emails, text messages, flyers, etc.) referencing the imposition of an assessment as set forth in the attached Notice, to the residents of Killearn Lakes Plantation Units 1 and 2 and/or the Killearn Lakes Homeowners Association, from 2002 to the present date.

Thank you.

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cc: Members, Leon County Commission (Via Email)
Killearn Lakes Homeowners Association



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