
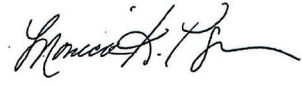


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Members of the Board of County Commissioners

THRU: Jennifer Jurado, PhD, Deputy Director and Chief Resilience Officer 
Resilient Environment Department

FROM: Monica Pognon, Director, Natural Resources Division 

DATE: May 13, 2024

RE: Climate Change Task Force Resolution Supporting Renewed Countywide
Engagement in Property Assessed Clean Energy (PACE)

This memo transmits the attached Resolution 24-01 adopted by the Climate Change Task Force at its meeting on May 9, 2024, supporting renewed countywide engagement in PACE, updates to the Broward County Code of Ordinance and Broward County Administrative Code.

cc: Kimm Campbell, Deputy County Administrator
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RESOLUTION NO. 24-01

1 A RESOLUTION OF CLIMATE CHANGE TASK FORCE, AN ADVISORY BOARD TO
2 THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF BROWARD COUNTY, FLORIDA,
3 SUPPORTING RENEWED COUNTY-WIDE ENGAGEMENT IN THE AUTHORIZATION
4 OF PACE IN BROWARD COUNTY, UPDATES TO THE BROWARD COUNTY CODE
5 OF ORDINANCES AND BROWARD COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE CODE, AND
6 COORDINATION WITH MUNICIPALITIES; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE
7 DATE.

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9 WHEREAS, in 2010 the Florida Legislature enacted specific authority for local
10 governments to create programs for the financing of certain qualifying improvements to
11 real property by creating Section 163.08, Florida Statutes, commonly referred to as
12 Property Assessed Clean Energy (PACE);

13 WHEREAS, PACE provides a finance mechanism whereby property owners are
14 able to access secured financing for certain energy conservation, energy efficiency,
15 renewable energy, and wind resistance improvements to real property with repayment via
16 the owner's annual property tax bill;

17 WHEREAS, the Broward County Board of County Commissioners has adopted
18 increasingly aggressive energy efficiency, greenhouse gas reduction, renewable energy,
19 and resilience goals and initiatives, including a net zero goal by 2050, and requirements
20 to plan for future climate conditions;

21 WHEREAS, the Broward County Board of County Commissioners recognized
22 PACE as a strategy that could expand access to financing needed to support critical
23 property improvements by providing long-term cost saving, energy efficiency, renewable
24 energy, and property resilience improvements;

25 WHEREAS, the Broward County Board of County Commissioners directed staff to
26 coordinate with interested local municipalities to deliver PACE financing services within
27 Broward County;

28 WHEREAS, County staff was also directed to develop PACE program guidelines,
29 necessary agreements, and consumer protections as the framework and mechanism
30 providing for PACE finance entities (Program Administrators) to operate within Broward
31 County;

32 WHEREAS, since 2010, a total of four PACE Program Administrators have entered
33 into interlocal agreements with Broward County providing for PACE financing to
34 commercial and residential property owners for qualifying improvements;

35 WHEREAS, during the 2024 legislative session, Senate Bill 770 (SB 770) was
36 passed by the Florida legislature with provisions that: 1) affirm required authorization by
37 a county or municipal government in order for PACE Program Administrators to operate
38 within their jurisdictions, including by entering into interlocal agreements; 2) establish
39 formal and uniform minimum consumer protection provisions for PACE Program
40 Administrators and third-party administrators; and 3) expand the list of eligible PACE
41 qualifying improvements to include sanitary sewer connections, improvements to onsite
42 sewage treatment and disposal systems where sanitary sewer service is not available,
43 seawall improvements, and flood and water damage mitigation, such as structure

elevation, flood diversion and drainage devices, and to meet sustainable and resilient building standards;

WHEREAS, the approval of SB 770 would continue to support private property owners in advancing countywide climate goals and resilience through eligible energy and resilience improvements where there is a dearth of alternative sources of financing and programs available to support such improvements and resilience measures; goals, NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CLIMATE CHANGE TASK FORCE:

Section 1. The Climate Change Task Force ("CCTF"), supports enactment of amendments to: 1) consolidate Broward County's PACE provisions into the Broward County Code of Ordinances; 2) require interlocal agreements with PACE Program Administrators authorizing PACE financing of qualifying improvements to Broward County property owners; and 3) updating Broward County's consumer protections and PACE financing limitations for consistency with Senate Bill 770 and to provide for better consumer protections, financing limitations, and contractor practices.

Section 2. The CCTF supports continued and renewed coordination with local municipalities to include municipal jurisdictions within Broward County's PACE Program Administrator interlocal agreements, thereby streamlining renewed authorizations, liaison services, communications, and support services.

Section 3. The CCTF hereby directs CCTF staff to transmit copies of this Resolution to the Broward County Board of County Commissioners, the County Administrator, and the County Attorney.

66 Section 4. Effective Date.

67 This Resolution is effective upon adoption.

ADOPTED this 9th day of May 2024.