

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF LEON COUNTY, FLORIDA, TO ESTABLISH AN ADVISORY COMMITTEE WHICH SHALL BE NAMED THE FRENCHTOWN/SOUTHSIDE REVITALIZATION CITIZEN ADVISORY COMMITTEE AND WHICH SHALL OPERATE AND FUNCTION AS A FOCUS GROUP.

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Leon County, Florida (the Board) recognizes and acknowledges the importance of public involvement and input in County government; and

WHEREAS, with the goal of promoting job creation, by means of addressing poverty, economic development, and underemployment, this committee shall work to create distinctive and thriving development opportunities.

WHEREAS, in order for the Board to consider the input of the public in the matter of revitalization and economic development of the Southside and Frenchtown communities, it wishes to establish and appoint an advisory committee to function and operate in accordance with Board Policy No. 03-15, "Board-Appointed Advisory Committees: Establishment, Appointment, Function, Operation, and Dissolution."

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF LEON COUNTY, that:

1. The Board hereby establishes an advisory committee, to be named the Frenchtown/Southside Revitalization Citizen Advisory Committee, for the purpose of exploring issues of poverty, unemployment, underemployment, economic development, and to examine new approaches and creative solutions to spur economic opportunity.

2. The Frenchtown/Southside Revitalization Citizen Advisory Committee shall function and operate as a Focus Group in accordance with Board Policy No. 03-15, "Board-Appointed Advisory Committees" and make recommendations to the Board for consideration.

3. The Frenchtown/Southside Revitalization Citizen Advisory Committee shall present recommendations to the Board, as needed, on creative solutions for economic opportunity within the Frenchtown/Southside area.

4. The Frenchtown/Southside Revitalization Citizen Advisory Committee shall be charged with the responsibility of giving input to staff on innovative solutions to encourage economic progress and job creation within the Frenchtown and Southside areas.

5. The Frenchtown/Southside Revitalization Citizen Advisory Committee shall have 15 members to be appointed, according to Board Policy No. 03-15, "Board-Appointed Advisory Committees: Establishment, Appointment, Function, Operation, and Dissolution," as follows:

Seven members - Each County Commissioner shall make one appointment, with an emphasis on securing community business leaders to serve on the Committee.

Eight members - Full Board appointments of citizens who live in and/or own businesses in the targeted communities.

6. The Frenchtown/Southside Revitalization Citizens Advisory Committee shall focus its efforts upon the Frenchtown and Southside areas designated by the Community Redevelopment Agency when developed in 1998. This area consists of 1,450 acres of residential, commercial, and industrial land located within downtown Tallahassee.

7. The members of the Frenchtown/Southside Revitalization Citizen Advisory Committee shall not be subject to full and public disclosure of financial interests.

8. The Frenchtown/Southside Revitalization Citizen Advisory Committee shall be assisted by staff from the County, as needed.

9. The Frenchtown/Southside Revitalization Citizen Advisory Committee shall be dissolved only as follows: 18 months following its initial meeting or upon presenting its final report and/or recommendations to the Board for consideration, whichever comes first.

10. This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

DONE, ADOPTED, AND PASSED by the Board of County Commissioners of Leon County, Florida, this ____ day of _____, 2010.

LEON COUNTY, FLORIDA

ATTESTED BY:

BY: _____
Bob Inzer
Clerk of the Circuit Court

BY: _____
Bob Rackleff, Chairman
Board of County Commissioners

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
Leon County Attorney's Office
Leon County, Florida

BY: _____
Herbert W. A. Thiele
County Attorney