

**STATEMENT OF THE LEON COUNTY
COUNTY-WIDE WATER RESOURCES
CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

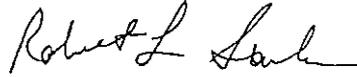
The Leon County Board of County Commissioners specifically charged the County-Wide Water Resources Citizens Advisory Committee with the responsibility to recommend policies that would strengthen the linkage between water resources and land use. Based on this charge and on information presented by County staff, the Committee has the following comments and recommendations:

The Water Resources Committee (WRC) was asked by County Environmental Management Staff to review draft revisions to the County's Environmental Management Act. These proposed amendments are part of the first phase of implementing the recent County charter amendment addressing Countywide Minimum Environmental Regulations. The draft revisions include the addition of a new section, 10-4.106 "Interim Minimum Environmental Regulations for the Incorporated Area of Leon County," and several changes to Section 10-4.301 addressing Water Quality Treatment Standards. The WRC has been interested in these and other related issues based on the potential impacts on ground and surface water resources from development.

The WRC agrees with the intent of the charter amendment to combine the County and City environmental regulations. However, the Committee is concerned that the April 1, 2012 completion date may not provide adequate time to complete this very challenging process. The Committee therefore recommends that City and County staff meet together to:

- (1) establish a detailed, comprehensive scope of work, including any public input or review, for combining all County and City environmental regulations,
- (2) determine the amount of time needed to complete each component of this scope, and then
- (3) set a final target completion date or a set of dates to complete these tasks.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the above statements were duly approved by the Leon County
Countywide Water Resources Citizens Advisory Committee following its meeting on
February 7, 2011.



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