

**Item Title:** Approval of 2019 Board Goals, Objectives and Initiatives

**Specific Action Requested:**

**That the Board of Commissioners approves the 2019 Board Goals, Objectives and Initiatives, and affirm the prioritized top 10 initiatives.**

**Item Summary:**

**Purpose:** The Board of Commissioners updates a set of goals each calendar year to prioritize County efforts and resources. The Board and County staff use the goals to set budgetary priorities, concentrate staff efforts, and focus Board discussions.

**Background:** The Board of Commissioners held a planning retreat on January 19, 2019. Commissioners and staff reviewed prior year goals, objectives, and initiatives in small breakout groups. The groups discussed the status of prior year initiatives, removed completed or ongoing initiatives, and created new initiatives for 2019. Breakout groups initially prioritized initiatives within each goal area (i.e. Community Health or Public Safety). At the end of the retreat, the full Board participated in a voting exercise to identify top initiatives reflecting the Commissioners' common interests.

**Board Goal:** This action establishes the Board of Commissioners Goals for the 2019 calendar year.

**Fiscal Impact:** This action has no direct financial impact.

**Additional Information:**

The Board of Commissioners discussed the goals and affirmed the top ten initiatives at the February 11, 2019 Work Session. During discussions, the Board directed staff to review the following:

- Identify specific actions that may be taken by the County to support the buildout of high-speed internet (Economic Strength Objective 4). Staff recommends two new initiatives for 2019 including:
  - ES4.1 – Seek legislation to expand digital infrastructure/broadband capability to the unserved and under-served areas and residents of the County.
  - ES4.2 – Identify and work with partners to enhance high speed internet connectivity options for all residents.
- Draft a new initiative associated with agenda creation and appointments in the Great Government (GG) goal area. Staff recommends the following new initiative:
  - GG2.3 – Review and update board procedures to align with best practices for boards of commissioners.

- Rephrase Social and Economic Vitality (SEV) initiative 2.1 to allow other partnerships. The revised initiative now reads:
  - SEV2.1 – Support a higher quality of life for citizens in vulnerable communities through policy changes, partnerships, workforce development and the community college.

After approval, County staff will develop work plans for each initiative and will update the Board on initiatives' status and implementation throughout the year.

**Attachments:**

1. Presentation
2. Board Goals, Objectives, and Initiatives for 2019
3. Top 10 Prioritized Initiatives for 2019