



Polk County

Legislation Text

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SUBJECT

Declare surplus and authorize the private sale through sealed bid offering to adjacent landowners of County-owned Parcel ID Number 232826-000000-032240. (Potential for \$7,909, one-time revenue.)

DESCRIPTION

The County acquired a fee interest in Parcel ID Number 232826-000000-032240 through an Escheatment Tax Deed dated June 23, 2022, which was subsequently recorded in Official Records Book 12311 at Page 2261. The parcel is rectangular shaped parcel, containing approximately 9,580 square feet, located to the west of a road which is privately owned known as Alice Avenue in the Lakeland area. The County has no future need or use for the property and due to the fact that it is not contiguous with and has no verified independent access to a public roadway, it is only of use and benefit to the adjacent property owners. The County contacted the only two adjacent property owners and they have both expressed an interest in purchasing the parcel. Therefore, in an effort to reduce the County's Land Inventory, staff is requesting the property be declared surplus and offered to the adjacent property owners through a private sale by sealed bid with a minimum bid value of \$7,909 based on the Property Appraisers assessed value.

Florida Statutes allow for the disposal of County-owned real property by declaring the property surplus and authorizing its private conveyance. Doing so will allow adjacent property owners to purchase the property, place it back on the tax roll, remove the property from the County Land Inventory and allow the County to cease maintenance activities associated with the parcel. The subject parcel is being transferred in "as is" condition and the conveyance of the property will be by County Deed.

RECOMMENDATION

Request Board declare the above-mentioned County-owned parcel surplus and authorize the private sale of the property, including any interest that may otherwise be reserved by Florida Statutes, to be administered by the Real Estate Services Administrator or his designee, to the highest bidder submitting a sealed bid with a minimum bid amount of \$7,909 with the condition that the recording fees and documentary stamps shall be borne by the prospective buyer. Ownership of the property will be transferred in "as is" condition and conveyance will be by County Deed.

FISCAL IMPACT

Proceeds from the sale of the parcel to be deposited into the appropriate fund, to be determined by Finance and Accounting.

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