

SARASOTA COUNTY GOVERNMENT

Community & Intergovernmental Relations

TO: Sarasota County Commission

THROUGH: Randall H. Reid, County Administrator

FROM: Robert R. Lewis, Director, Community & Intergovernmental Relations

DATE: September 17, 2013

SUBJECT: Update on House Bill 537, Growth Management

SUMMARY:

The Town of Longboat Key sought County Commission support for legislative action to address unintended consequences of Florida House Bill 537 passed during the 2013 Legislative Session, related to the ability of local governments to conduct referendum processes relating to Development Orders, Comprehensive Plan amendments or map amendments.

The following language was presented to, and adopted by the Commission on September 11, 2013:

SUPPORT amendment of statutes to provide grandfathered municipalities like the Town of Longboat Key with the ability to maintain long-standing, specific, charter referendum processes relating to density increases associated with local comprehensive plan and map amendments and development orders.