

**CITY OF SANIBEL**

**RESOLUTION NO. 16-042**

**A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING AND ENDORSING THE REVISED AND UPDATED “CALOOSAHATCHEE WATERSHED – REGIONAL WATER MANAGEMENT ISSUES” REPORT DATED JUNE 1, 2016, WHICH SETS FORTH SHORT TERM AND LONG TERM STRATEGIC PLANNING GOALS TO ADDRESS WATER STORAGE AND TREATMENT WITHIN THE KISSIMMEE, LAKE OKEECHOBEE AND CALOOSATCHEE WATERSHEDS; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**WHEREAS**, Lee County and the six municipalities within Lee County share common interests and concerns with respect to water quality within the Kissimmee, Lake Okeechobee and Caloosahatchee watersheds; and

**WHEREAS**, a revised and updated document entitled “Caloosahatchee Watershed – Regional Water Management Issues” has been developed and prepared to concisely set forth a comprehensive strategy to address water storage and treatment within the Kissimmee, Lake Okeechobee and Caloosahatchee watersheds, as well as to identify land and infrastructure needed to convey excess water south into Everglades National Park and Florida Bay where it is needed; and

**WHEREAS**, it is essential for the governing bodies of Lee County and the six municipalities within Lee County to generally agree upon the comprehensive goals and strategies to address the Kissimmee, Lake Okeechobee and Caloosahatchee water resource issues;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the City Council of the City of Sanibel, Florida, that:

**SECTION 1.** The Sanibel City Council hereby accepts and endorses the revised and updated “Caloosahatchee Watershed – Regional Water Management Issues” document dated June 1, 2016, a copy of which is attached hereto and incorporated herein as Attachment “A”, and which is intended to be revised and updated periodically to address current best practices and approaches with respect to water quality and water resource protection.

**SECTION 2.** The Sanibel City Council encourages the governing bodies of Lee County, the City of Fort Myers, City of Cape Coral, Town of Fort Myers Beach, Village of Estero and City of Bonita Springs to accept and endorse the revised and updated “Caloosahatchee Watershed – Regional Water Management Issues” document attached hereto in order to provide general agreement on a collective and comprehensive approach to the Kissimmee, Lake Okeechobee and Caloosahatchee watershed resource issues that are of paramount importance to the residents and visitors to Lee County and Southwest Florida.

**SECTION 3. Effective Date.**

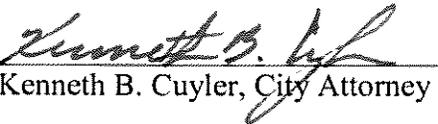
This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

**DULY PASSED AND ENACTED** by the Council of the City of Sanibel, Florida, this 7th day of June, 2016.

**AUTHENTICATION:**

  
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Kevin Ruane, Mayor

  
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Scotty Lynn Kelly, Acting City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:  5/26/16  
Kenneth B. Cuyler, City Attorney      Date

**Vote of Council Members:**

Ruane	<u>aye</u>
Denham	<u>aye</u>
Goss	<u>aye</u>
Harrity	<u>aye</u>
Jennings	<u>aye</u>

Date filed with City Clerk: June 7 , 2016