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September 14th, 2016

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TO: All agencies of local government and interested parties

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FROM: Representative Kathleen Passidomo, Chair, District 106

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SUBJECT: Collier County State Legislative Delegation Meeting and Public Hearings

Representative Carlos Trujillo
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Thursday, November 17, 2016 has been set as the date for the Collier County State Legislative Delegation's Public Hearing for local bills. The meeting will convene at 9 a.m. in the North Collier Regional Park located at 15000 Livingston Rd. Naples, FL 34109 and will last until 11:00 a.m.

The delegation will reconvene at 2 p.m. in the North Collier Regional Park, located at 15000 Livingston Rd. Naples, FL 34109. This session will last until the completion of the agenda. **Members of the public will have an opportunity to address the delegation about issues not related to local bills upon completion of the local bill agenda.**

All proposals for a local bill are expected to be presented at the hearing and must be drafted in bill form. **Ten (10) copies of the local bill, with 3 punched holes and no staples, should be submitted to my office no later than 4 PM on October 10th.** Unless there is an emergency, the delegation will consider for introduction only those bills that have been presented at the hearing. Decisions on whether to introduce local legislation will be made at the hearing.

If the local legislative delegation agrees to support the issue and introduce a local bill, a legal advertisement of the proposed bill **must** be placed in a newspaper of general circulation at least 30 days prior to introduction in the House or Senate unless the bill contains a referendum provision. The local entity requesting the proposed bill will be responsible for placing the legal advertisement in the newspaper.

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According to sections 11.021 and 11.03, Florida Statutes, evidence that notice has been properly published must be submitted before a local bill, not subject to referendum, can be introduced.

The notice must be broad enough to include all matters contained in the body of the proposed legislation, although the specific contents need not be listed in detailed form. The function of the notice requirement is to provide reasonable notice to a person whose interests may be directly affected by proposed legislation so that he or she may inquire further into details of the local bill and, if he or she so desires, seek to prevent enactment or to persuade the Legislature to change the substance of the proposed bill.

My staff and I stand ready to assist with any question you may have regarding the notice requirement. We have sent this email to all on the previous email list. If you do not wish to be on this list, please call our office at 239-417-6200 and ask to be removed.

The agenda for the hearing will be released to the news media on October 17, 2016 so that the citizens of Collier County will have ample time to prepare testimony for or against proposed measures.

If you have any questions or would like to be placed on the agenda for the Collier County State Legislative Delegation Hearings, please contact my office at (239) 417-6200 or email Kevin.Comerer@myfloridahouse.gov. We encourage you to email your request to be placed on the agenda.

Please note that the deadline for submitting requests to appear on the agenda is Monday, October 10th, 2016. Please be informed that these hearings are to hear local bills and Community Budget Requests.

Again, my staff and I stand ready to assist you with any questions or concerns you may have. We look forward to a successful delegation meeting for the 2016 Legislative Session. Thank you.

Very Truly Yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'K. Passidomo', with a horizontal line extending to the right.

Representative Kathleen Passidomo, Chair
District 106