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Good morning Cathy,

On behalf of Commissioner Pritchett, she has received the attached email regarding April 23 BOCC meeting agenda I.2.

Kind Regards,

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Lively, Cathy

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Subject: Upcoming Commissioner Meeting - Items of Interest and Request for Support

Dear Commissioners,

First and foremost, I would like to express my gratitude to Rob Feltner, his staff, and other departments for their collaborative efforts to find a solution that allows the Brevard Renaissance Fair and other significant community events to remain in Brevard County.

As Brevard County's population grows in the coming years, the demand for county parks will increase, leading to inevitable conflicts among different groups vying for access to these facilities. Establishing a dedicated site specifically designed for significant events and capable of accommodating substantial crowds would be advantageous for everyone. Unlike surrounding counties with fairgrounds, Brevard currently lacks a comparable venue. For example, Indian River has a 185-acre site dedicated exclusively to hosting various events. A similar facility in Brevard could serve the community's needs more effectively and mitigate the stress on existing parks.

Looking ahead to next week's commissioner meeting, there are two agenda items of particular importance to us:

1. ****Land Swap with the City of Melbourne****: After visiting the proposed site this week, I am convinced it would serve as an excellent venue for significant events, benefitting both the City of Melbourne and the residents of Brevard County. We are eager to assist in developing this location. While it may not be perfect now, it presents a clean slate with great potential for enhancement. Over time, this could become a valuable asset for all Brevardians.
2. ****Application for the Use of Wickham Park****: Our team has been actively collaborating with Rob Feltner's office and our real estate consultants to ensure our continued presence in Brevard. While not all solutions explored have been ideal, some have shown promise. We have initiated preparations at a potential site in Cocoa, facing several challenges that must be resolved by January. I remain optimistic about meeting our January 15th deadline, though I acknowledge some reservations due to the cautious outlook of others. Consequently, we propose using Wickham Park as a **contingency plan**, ensuring the fair's continuity. External factors, such as the St. John Water Authority, FPL, Zoning, Site Plans, bridge and road construction, and seasonal weather conditions, particularly during the summer, could impact our readiness.

Our application for Wickham Park will be reviewed at the meeting on the 23rd. We request your approval to use this location as a **fallback** option. This would safeguard against the potential discontinuation of the event, which, if delayed for what would be effectively two years, might lead to its cessation.

We greatly appreciate all the efforts to address these challenges and hope for a resolution to benefit all involved parties. Making this decision is challenging, as there will inevitably be detractors regardless of the outcome. We hope you will consider what is most beneficial for most Brevardians, even if it entails some short-term inconvenience for a few.

Thank you for considering our requests. I look forward to your support and finding a way to enrich our community.

Warm regards,

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