

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

TO: Jim Liesenfelt, Interim County Manager

FROM: Don Walker, Director of Communications

SUBJ: Citizen Efficiency and Effectiveness Recommendation #2025028

CEER #2025028, titled Extend Speak Up Brevard, was received by the County from Tracy M. Fiedler.

Citizen Statement:

The Speak Up Brevard program only accepts suggestions the first month of 2025. There needs to be a way to submit suggestions year long whenever people may have an idea. A majority of people are not even aware the program exists and it needs time to catch hold.

Citizen Recommendation:

Extend Speak Up Brevard to a year long program. Once some suggestions are incorporated and publicized, there will be more interest.

Staff Analysis:

Section 2.9.10 of the County Charter provides for an annual filing date for a citizen or a group of citizens to submit a formal written formal recommendation for the enhancement of the effectiveness and efficiency of County government to the County Commission. Under BCC-95, the filing date for submission date is Jan. 1 through Jan. 31.

In July 2022, the Brevard County Charter Commission considered citizen requests to extend the Speak Up Brevard campaign from once a year to twice a year. That measure was voted down.

As in past years, staff will continue to publicize how citizens can submit CEER recommendations under the e-Government tab for the month of January. Additionally, staff will continue to feature other ways citizens can provide feedback and recommendations throughout the year to the Board, including:

• Online Feedback: Visit <u>www.brevardfl.gov</u> under the e-Government tab to share input on the County budget, transit services, and other topics, or to provide feedback on Parks and Preserves, Public Safety, the Sheriff's Office, and more.



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- Public Comments: Attend Board of County Commissioners meetings to voice concerns or ideas directly during non-agenda public comments.
- Connect with Commissioners: Contact the District Commission office to discuss specific issues or propose potential agenda items.

Staff Recommended Action:

It is recommended that Board of County Commissioners reject CEER #2025028 as solutions to the issues raised are already in place and there are already additional ways to bring issues to the County and Board's attention throughout the year.

CC: Frank Abbate, County Manager

Horst, Rachel

From:	CEER@brevardfl.gov
Sent:	Saturday, January 18, 2025 9:50 AM
То:	Horst, Rachel
Subject:	A new CEER Recommendation has been submitted as ID #2025028

Recommendation # 2025028

Dear CEER Administrator,

Speak Up Brevard Recommendation ID #2025028 has been submitted. Please login to the CEER Application to start the recommendation evaluation workflow.

Contact Information:

Group/Organization	
Name	Tracy M Fiedler
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Recommendation Information	:
Recommendation ID	2025028
Recommendation Title	Extend Speak Up Brevard
Areas Affected	Speak Up Brevard
Department Affected	
Current problem	The Speak Up Brevard program only accepts suggestions the first month of 2025. There needs to be a way to submit suggestions year long whenever people may have an idea. A majority of people are not even aware the program exists and it needs time to catch hold.
Recommendation	Extend Speak Up Brevard to a year long program. Once some suggestions are incorporated and publicized, there will be more interest.
Attachments	No Documents were attached.

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