MEMORANDUM

To: Council Members

From: Staff

Date: June 16, 2017 Council Meeting

Subject: Legislative Update 2017 – U.S. Senator Bill Nelson’s Office – Michelle Oyola McGovern, Director of Outreach

Introduction

Council extended an invitation to Senator Bill Nelson to address the Council at one of its upcoming meetings. Michelle Oyola McGovern, the Senator’s Director of Outreach, will address the Council on topics related to foreign sand sources for beach renourishment, the opioid abuse/sober home epidemic, how Federal budgeting may affect implementation of the Comprehensive Everglades Restoration Plan, and the flow of economic development/infrastructure dollars for local projects, and other issues affecting the Treasure Coast Region.

Since 2001, Michelle McGovern has served as the Treasure Coast Regional Director and now State Director of Outreach for U.S. Senator Bill Nelson. She manages the Senator’s eight regional offices and serves as his local liaison to the community in seven counties from Indian River to Palm Beach and around Lake Okeechobee. As the State Outreach Director, it is her job to help local citizens and government officials maximize their connection to the federal government.

Recommendation

For information, education, and discussion purposes.