

348.753 Central Florida Expressway Authority.—

(3) The governing body of the authority shall consist of nine members. The chairs of the boards of the county commissions of Seminole, Lake, and Osceola Counties shall each appoint one member from their respective counties, who ~~shall~~ may be a commission member or chair. The Mayor of Orange County shall appoint a member from the Orange County Commission. The Governor shall appoint three citizen members, each of whom must be a citizen of either Orange County, Seminole County, Lake County, or Osceola County. The eighth member must be the Mayor of Orange County. The ninth member must be the Mayor of the City of Orlando. ~~The executive director of the Florida Turnpike Enterprise shall serve as a nonvoting advisor to the governing body of the authority.~~ Each member appointed by the Governor shall serve for 4 years. Each county-appointed member shall serve for 2 years. The terms of standing board members expire June 20, 2014. Each appointed member shall hold office until his or her successor has been appointed and has qualified. A vacancy occurring during a term must be filled only for the balance of the unexpired term. Each appointed member of the authority shall be a person of outstanding reputation for integrity, responsibility, and business ability, but, except as provided in this subsection, a person who is an officer or employee of a municipality or county may not be an appointed member of the authority. Any member of the authority is eligible for reappointment.

(4)(a) The authority shall elect one of its members as chair of the authority. The authority shall also elect one of its members as vice chair, ~~one of its members as secretary,~~ and one of its members as treasurer. The chair, vice chair, ~~secretary,~~ and treasurer shall hold such offices at the will of the authority. Five members of the authority constitute a quorum, and the vote of five members is necessary for any action taken by the authority. A vacancy in the authority does not impair the right of a quorum of the authority to exercise all of the rights and perform all of the duties of the authority.

348.754 Purposes and powers.—

(1) ~~(c) Notwithstanding any other provision of this section to the contrary, to ensure the continued financial feasibility of the portion of the Wekiva Parkway to be constructed by the department, the authority may not, without the prior consent of the secretary of the department, construct any extensions, additions, or improvements to the expressway system in Lake County.~~

348.757 Lease-purchase agreement.—

(1) The authority may enter into a lease-purchase agreement with the department relating to and covering the former Orlando-Orange County Expressway System.

(2) The lease-purchase agreement must provide for the leasing of the former Orlando-Orange County Expressway System, by the authority, as lessor, to the department, as lessee, must prescribe the term of such lease and the rentals to be paid, and must provide that upon the completion of the faithful performance and the termination of the lease-purchase agreement, title in fee simple absolute to the former Orlando-Orange County Expressway System as then constituted shall be ~~transferred in accordance with law by the authority, to the state and the authority shall deliver to the department such deeds and conveyances as shall be necessary or convenient to vest title in fee simple absolute in the state~~ retained by the authority.

