

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

ORDINANCE NO. 23-14

**AN ORDINANCE BY THE PASCO COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS RELATING TO THE PASCO COUNTY LIBRARY SYSTEM, AMENDING CHAPTER 58, LIBRARY, OF THE PASCO COUNTY CODE OF ORDINANCES; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY, INCLUSION IN THE COUNTY CODE, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**WHEREAS**, the Pasco County Library System was established by the Pasco County Board of County Commissioners by Ord. No. 80-13 on July 22,1980; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of County Commissioners has adopted a Reconsideration Libraries Material Policy that includes the authorization of the Library System Advisory Board to hear appeals of the determinations on Reconsiderations; and

**WHEREAS**, the Pasco County Board of County Commissioners has determined that it is necessary and appropriate to amend Chapter 58, Library, of the Pasco County Code of Ordinances to expand the Duties and Functions Library System Advisory Board to hear appeals.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF PASCO COUNTY, FLORIDA AS FOLLOWS:**

**Section 1. Authority.**

This Ordinance is enacted pursuant to Chapters 125 and 257, Fla. Stats. (2022), and under the home rule powers of the County in the interest of the health, peace, safety and general welfare of the people of Pasco County.

**Section 2. RECITALS.**

The Whereas Clauses above are true and accurate and are incorporated by reference and made a part of this Ordinance.

**Section 3. Chapter 58, Library, Article II. Division 2, Library System Advisory Board, is hereby amended as follows.**

**DIVISION 2. - LIBRARY SYSTEM ADVISORY BOARD**

**Sec. 58-45. - Duties and functions.**

The Library System Advisory Board shall serve in an advisory and advocacy capacity to the Board of County Commissioners, County Administrator and Libraries Director in respect to all matters pertaining to the Pasco County Library System, the Library Cooperative, and the Friends. The Board is advisory in nature and shall have no authority to bind the Board of County Commissioners or to dictate policy. However, the Board is authorized to hear appeals of final determinations of the Reconsideration of Library

Materials consistent with the requirements of the County's Reconsideration of Library Materials Policy. The decision on an appeal shall be the County's final decision on the matter.

**Section 4. Repeal of Laws in Conflict.**

All Ordinances or parts of Ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed to extent of such conflict.

**Section 5. Severability.**

It is declared to be the intent of the Board of County Commissioners of Pasco County, Florida, that if any section, subsection, sentence, clause, or provision of this Ordinance shall be declared invalid, the remainder of this Ordinance shall be construed as not having contained said section, subsection, sentence, clause, or provisions and shall not be affected by such holding.

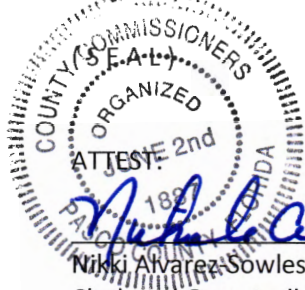
**Section 6. Inclusion in the Pasco County Code.**

The provisions of this Ordinance shall be included and incorporated in the Pasco County Code, as an addition or amendment thereto, and shall be appropriately renumbered to conform to the uniform numbering system of the Pasco County Code.

**Section 7. Effective Date.**

This Ordinance shall be transmitted to the Department of State by the Clerk to the Board by electronic mail within ten (10) days of the adoption of this Ordinance, and this Ordinance shall take effect upon filing with the Department of State.

Duly adopted this     day of     , 2023.



*Nikki Alvarez-Sowles*  
Nikki Alvarez-Sowles, Esq.  
Clerk and Comptroller

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OF PASCO COUNTY, FLORIDA

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April 24, 2023

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Attention: Jessica Popplewell

Dear Nikki Alvarez-Sowles:

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 125.66, Florida Statutes, this will acknowledge receipt of your electronic copy of Pasco County Ordinance No. 23-14, which was filed in this office on April 20, 2023.

Sincerely,

Anya Owens  
Program Administrator

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