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Urban Land Institute Advisory Services Panel for Pasco County

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NEW PORT RICHEY — The Urban Land Institute (ULI) will be conducting an Advisory Services Panel in Pasco County April 20-25. The panel is composed of economic development, land use, real estate development, and government operations experts from around the country who volunteer their time to help communities solve difficult development or related public policy problems.

The current slowdown in growth presents the first practical opportunity for the County to devote sufficient, concentrated focus on the challenges which have occurred during the recent housing boom. Pasco County and the Pasco Economic Development Council (PEDC) have requested an ULI Panel to assist us in identifying solutions to the concerns we face.

The County and the PEDC both seek to improve processes for identifying, attracting and serving new business and industry. The County's ultimate goal is to increase its economic competitiveness and create an environment that embraces value added businesses. Pasco is committed to diversifying the County's economic base. Commercial, office and industrial growth is necessary to better distribute the tax burden from residential uses to business uses.

A public reception is being held for all interested citizens on Monday, April 21, from 5:30 – 6:30 p.m. at the Marriott Residence Inn at NorthPointe, which is the southeast corner of the Suncoast Parkway and SR 54.

On Friday, April 25, from 9:00 - 11:30 a.m., a public presentation will be made by the ULI panel of its findings and recommendations. This presentation will take place at the Pasco Hernando Community College, Performing Arts Center, on Ridge Road, in New Port Richey.

The public is invited to attend the reception and out briefing. If you can not attend the events but would like to offer suggestions, you can go to the County's web site www.pascocountyfl.net, select the ULI Advisory Panel link under "In the News" and fill out a Public Comment Sheet. The sheet should be faxed to the PEDC at (813)926-0829 by Tuesday, April 22.

For additional information on the ULI Advisory Panel, see the link on the County website and the aforementioned contacts.

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