

RESOLUTION 2026 -15

Advisory Referendum
Wednesday, August 12, 2026

WHEREAS the Spring Lake Improvement District (hereinafter "District") was created by the Florida Legislature and codified in Chapter 1971-669, Laws of Florida, as amended by Chapter 2005-342, Laws of Florida, as amended by Chapter 2012-264, Laws of Florida, pursuant to the authority granted therein and;

WHEREAS Chapter 298 of the Florida Statutes authorizes the Board of Supervisors, hereinafter referred to as the "Board", of the Spring Lake Improvement District, hereinafter referred to as the "District", to prescribe and establish policies and procedures for the District and;

WHEREAS A number of community meetings have taken place regarding the purchase of the Sebring International Golf Resort (SIGR), including several presentations to the Board and;

WHEREAS A purchase of this magnitude needs specific factual information and community input and;

WHEREAS The Board has agreed to conduct a non-binding Advisory Referendum during the month of October 2026 that will contain items included in the Attachments

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THE BOARD DIRECTS STAFF TO DESIGN, MARKET, AND IMPLEMENT AN ADVISORY REFERENDUM REGARDING THE PURCHASE OF THE SIGR.

This Resolution becomes effective this 12th day of August 2026.

Spring Lake Improvement District

Kay Gorham, Board Chair

Tim Roland, Board Secretary

ATTACHMENTS

Frequently Asked Questions

**In process and being
Developed by Staff**

Will be published in the September issue of The Breeze, SLPA Newsletter, District website and available in the District Office. Will be referenced thru e-mail blasts and digital sign.

ADVISORY REFERENDUM BALLOT

For those residents who vote in person:

FRONT SIDE OF BALLOT

Circle One

YES

NO

BACK SIDE OF BALLOT

ADDRESS

{SLID staff member will confirm and write on ballot)

THE PROCESS

- *Voting will take place during the month of October 2026:
 - +in person at the District Office Board room
 - +via e-mail with appropriate name and address included.
 - +notarized letter with appropriate name and address
 - +in person at a Festival booth dedicated to the vote
- *A front-page article in the September issue of The Breeze
- *Use of the digital sign on a daily basis beginning mid-September
- *Weekly e-mail blasts from the end of September thru October
- *Request SLPA and other HOA's to notice their members
- *Ballots will be counted at the District office on November 3, 2026
- *Reported to the public at November 11, 2026, Landowners meeting

FUTURE OPTIONS

- 1) If the vote clearly shows residents oppose the purchase, the Board can choose to no longer discuss the issue.
- 2) If the vote clearly shows residents are in favor of the purchase, the Board can choose to continue negotiations by:
 - *securing an appraisal of all the properties
 - *surveys
 - *environmental review
 - *loan options and costs
 - *inspection of all facilities relative to repairs/renovation
 - *review of existing leases, rentals, and contracts
 - *preliminary operating projections
 - *development of leases for operation of golf course and restaurants
 - *public hearings after full level business plan is designed and future assessments are projected and approved by the Board