



Volusia Matters Newsletter

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November 2023



Oct 25 - By a 220 - 209 vote, US members elected Louisiana Cong Mike Johnson as House Speaker.

Cong Johnson was seen as a consensus candidate by Republicans while all 209 Democrats **Minority Leader Hakeem Jeffries** for Speaker.

Cong Micheal Waltz stated **House Speaker Johnson**



was admired for his conservative viewpoint on the threats coming from the Chinese Communist party as well as Iran Russia and North Korea. One of the most conservative members of Congress, he's a constitutional lawyer, has a more moderate style making

him ready to address the tough issues to be addressed by the House.

Cong Cory Mills expressed support for a strong, unifying conservative leader who wholeheartedly supports our Constitution....."someone who is prepared to take on the tasks of securing our borders, get our spending under control, meet deadlines promised to the people, and put America first".



Republicans want spending cuts and increased funding for border security, but the Democratic majority in the Senate is sure to disagree.

Johnson will have to address the legislative politics of President Biden's \$106 billion supplemental aid request for Ukraine, Israel and other causes. Johnson, like most members of both parties, is a strong advocate of additional aid to Israel.

House Speaker Johnson has the support of his colleagues now, but him keeping the position is shaky because of the slimness of the GOP majority. There are 221 Republicans, 212 Democrats and two vacant seats in the House.

In reference to avoid another government shutdown standoff, House Speaker Mike Johnson said House Republicans will hear all 12 appropriations bills to the floor.

In other words, Republicans are considering a new approach to stopgap funding that would extend pieces of current appropriations for different time periods, thus setting up a series of funding deadlines while avoiding a single deadline that could trigger a partial government shutdown for all agencies.

With current funding for the entire government set to expire on Nov 17, Johnson has proposed a to extend funding through Jan 15

One issue to keep in mind.....the Biden administration wants to link funding for Israel AND Ukraine, among other things, while most Republicans want to separate the funding into two individual bills.



President Biden Signs AI Executive Order

President Biden signed an executive order to monitor

- risks of artificial intelligence,
- develop new rules for the technology
- change the way AI is used in the federal government.....from health care to education, trade, housing and more.

The order puts checks on AI, directing agencies to set standards ensuring data privacy, among other priorities, for the rapidly evolving technology.

While previous efforts to address AI have been criticized, this new order will give various agencies the power to influence the market.

ChatGPT, which launched less than a year ago, has shown extensive human-like capabilities and knowledge.

Congress has tried legislation to address the risks of AI but nothing comprehensive has been introduced yet.

The order will also appoint a White House AI Council chaired by the White House Deputy Chief of Staff for Policy and reps from each major agency to oversee the federal government's AI activities.

The order also grants White House authority to keep tabs on the private sector development of AI systems as well as mandate companies to submit reports on how they train and test models and on how they plan to protect the technology from foreign adversaries to the government.

US Senate and House Elections 2024?

With all the focus on the US house the last several weeks, I'd like to turn to the US Senate.

Currently there are 51 Democrats and 49 Republicans. However, 33 Senate seats are up for election in 2024 including **Sen Rick Scott**. This makeup includes 20 Democrats, 3 independents who caucus with the Senate Democrats, and 10 Republicans.

Currently, 27 members of Congress (6 members of Senate and 21 members of House) announced they will not seek reelection 2024.

A total of 468 seats in the U.S. Congress (33 Senate seats and all 435 House seats) are up for election on November 5, 2024.

Six US Senators including **Mitt Romney** (R-Utah) are retiring from public office.

Eleven of the 15 US House members not running for re-election – nine Democrats and two Republicans – are running for the U.S. Senate. These members include seven running for open seats in California, Delaware, Maryland, Michigan, and Indiana.



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County Economic Development's "Q3" Breakfast Friday, November 17, 7:30–9 AM Daytona Intl Airport-guest speaker **Jerry Parrish**, Metro Atlanta Chamber's **chief economist** and formerly with the Fla Chamber will provide a 2024 Economic Outlook.

Economic Resources Director Cyrus Callum will report on Volusia's third quarter economic data.

Sponsored by **Jayson Meyer** of [Synergy Billing/Fountainhead](#).....it's a great networking opportunity to meet with elected officials, business and community leaders..

[Click here](#) to RSVP go the County's Economic Development page



Daytona Beach Area Convention & Visitors Bureau (CVB) will host a [Community Tourism Listening Session](#) at noon Nov 14, CiCi & Hyatt Brown Museum, Daytona Beach...

Listening sessions allow area residents to share info on how the CVB markets the destination and the importance of the tourism industry in the community.. a light lunch will be provided.

Space is limited.....attendees should RSVP to info@daytonabeach.com or call 255-0415.



Elected Officials Roundtable, Monday, Nov 13, 9 AM.... Emergency Operations Center, 3825 Tiger Bay Road, Daytona Beach

Agenda items include.....

- Emergency Operations Ctr Overview by Jim Judge, Emergency Services Dept Director
- LIVE LOCAL ACT Carmen Rosamonda, DeBary City Manager
- Transportation Sub-Committee Update-Port Orange Mayor/Chair Don Burnette

Events.....

Barracks of Hope Opening Ceremony

Nov 10, 2 PM

962 Derbyshire Rd **Cong Michael Waltz**
Speaker

RSVP tp Rhonda Hodges 299-3853

DB Greek Festival

November 9-12, 11 AM to 10 PM

St Demetrios Greek Orthodox Church.
129 N Halifax Ave DB



Oct 18—DB City Commission moved forward with Phase II of their Affordable Housing Efforts.....

- to start an Affordable Housing Trust Fund to receive funds from projects required by the *city's anticipated affordable housing impact fee ordinance*;
- draft a proposed affordable housing impact fee ordinance;
- donate city lots to non-profits that will develop affordable housing;
- consider an expanded owner-occupied housing rehabilitation program in zip code 32114.

New Smyrna Beach City leaders are cracking down on illegal parking and looking for solutions to find parking for the growing crowds. A city parking task force was formed to find ways to expand parking. [Click here](#) to see the report.

Task force chair Gerard Pendergast stated the report focused on a shortage of 450 spaces Canal St and 250 spaces along Flagler Ave.

Pendergast stated some of the solutions include reducing street parking from four hours to two hours until paid parking is established there and sharing lots with local businesses. The plan also includes creating paid parking help the city collect data along with providing a free shuttle service.

A parking garage could also be in the mix.

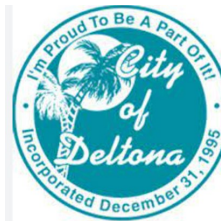
Port Orange Mayor Don Burnette presented their City's legislative requests to the Volusia Legislative Delegation October 24 meeting.



The City is seeking \$1.5 million³ to modernize their infrastructure and address aging stormwater pipes....including three wastewater lift stations on Ocean Ave, Christiancy Dr, and Williamson Blvd.

The City is also seeking \$7 million to replace a 25-year-old filter and generator at the Water Reclamation Facility and \$2 million in enhancements for the Cambridge pump station.

Click link below.... Volusia County [Attainable Housing Dashboard](#)



City of Deltona Addresses Affordable Housing....

A recent report from New Home Source, ranked Deltona at No. 8 among the more affordable cities in Florida, but the state's affordable housing data shows the greater need for residents already here.

It indicates that Deltona's Home Price to Income Ratio is 2.95% and average Property Tax at \$1,457 with Median Household Income at \$52,616.





Fla Legislature will meet in Special Session Nov 6-9.....

After the Hamas attacks on Israel, the Special Session will focus to strengthen sanctions on Iran to ensure Florida does not do business with companies aligned with Iran that could in turn fund Hamas and other terrorist groups.

The Session will also include additional resources for Hurricane Idalia relief, lowering the costs of homeowners’ insurance, and additional protections for Florida’s Jewish communities.

Senate President Kathleen Passidomo and House Speaker Paul Renner look forward to working with the Governor on this matter.

2024 legislative session will begin Jan 9



Citizens Property Insurance decreased by some 100,000 customers as private insurers take over their policies....

[State Insurance Commissioner Michael Yaworsky](#) spoke to the House Insurance & Banking Subcommittee about private sector insurers beginning to re-capitalize and writing new policies.....

“We’re also seeing a shift of risk from the public sector to the private sector. It’s generally a good sign of where the market is going”a positive sign as the State seeks to “depopulate” the State backed agency.

Under the state’s depopulation program, private insurers can seek approval from regulators to offer coverage to Citizens customers. Last month, five private sector companies have assumed nearly 100,000 policies.

Regulators also have approved a series of proposals by private insurers to take out additional policies in November and December.

Legislators have sought to move customers from Citizens into the private market, because of the risk that policyholders across the state — including those who don’t have Citizens policies — could be forced to help pay claims after a major hurricanes.

Trying to help spur depopulation, last December legislation was approved to require Citizens customers to accept offers of coverage from private insurers that are within 20 percent of the cost of Citizens premiums.



Current Economic Indicators...

- **High School Graduation Rate 87.3%**
- **Voter Participation 54%**
- **Housing Starts 11,590**
- **Housing Sales 21,335**
- **Poverty Rate 13.1%**
- **Sales Tax Revenue \$3.8 billion (Sept)**



Seminole Tribe to expand casino games....AND sports betting...

Oct 25—The US Supreme Court ruled with the Seminole Tribe to allow Fla's new Gaming Compact. SO.....the Tribe will be offering craps, roulette at its six casinos.....and sports betting will begin December 7.....

for now, the Tribe is moving forward with a more-limited step of in-person sports betting at its 6 Fla facilities. A lawsuit challenging broader online sports betting remains pending at the Fla Supreme Court.

No Casinos which spearheaded a 2018 ballot measure to make it harder to expand gambling **wants the Florida Supreme Court to reject a deal that would give the Seminole Tribe control over sports betting throughout the state.**

They joined two pari-mutuel companies last month in a lawsuit before the Supreme Court claiming that Fla's sports-betting compact violates the constitutional Amendment 3.

Gov DeSantis and Seminole Tribe of Fla signed compact in 2021 and legislators ratified it.

At question is whether to allow the Seminoles to accept sports wagers from mobile devices anywhere in the state, with the bets run through servers on tribal land.

No Casinos say sports betting that would allow betting *beyond reservation boundaries* should be prohibited.

Oct 4—First Step Shelter Exec Victoria Fahlberg recently updated the Daytona Beach City Commission.

When First Step initially opened, it served 40 people and it's now serving 100.

First Step has three programs—the Health and Housing Program, Rose Ann Tornatore Safe Zone and Eastern Volusia Outreach Team.

The Rose Ann Tornatore Safe Zone is an outdoor area open to homeless individuals needing **ONLY** a secure place to sleep.....no services. Over 3 thousand have spent the night there since it opened in late 2020.

Eastern Volusia Outreach aims to enlist homeless where they may be and ask if they'd be interested in availing themselves of the shelter's services.

First Step has operated for four-years....the average age of a person using the shelter is around 50 years old and the average stay is 60 days. It's sixty percent men. Nearly all residents have some type of medical and/or psychiatric condition.

Residents must acquire proper identification, create a health plan, proof of income and find work before they're eligible for housing.

Ms. Fahlberg presented statistics showing that from the shelter's inception, 544 of the 1,038 people who have used it have been housed.

In addition to housing, First Step provides legal and job assistance, transportation and budgeting.



Nov 7 Agenda - County Council discussed transfer of SunRail operations /funding. Fla Dept of Transportation (FDOT) has foot the SunRail tab since it began (Debary to Sand Lake Rd) operations on May 1, 2014. It was agreed that the Central Fla Commuter Rail Commission's (CFCRC...Oceola, Orange, Orlando, Seminole and Volusia)...would one day take over operations/costs...well, that time has come and Volusia has been financially preparing to pay their portion.

FDOT anticipates the final planned SunRail station ..DeLand will be complete in the summer of 2024.

County Council will take up an ordinance to eliminate requirements for county business tax receipts.

\$298,000 is the net total the county receives from business tax receipts.

Volusia County is accepting applications from nonprofit organizations interested to become certified Community Housing Development Organizations (CHDO)....locally certified and focused on developing affordable housing.

Certification is necessary to become eligible for some HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME) opportunities seeking to expand the local supply of adequate, affordable housing.

HOME regulations require Volusia County to set aside 15% of the annual allocation for



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October 24 - **the Volusia Legislative delegation hosted its annual meeting to hear recommendations from the county, cities, school board, local agencies and other entities for the upcoming Session in Tallahassee.**

County Council Chairman Jeff Brower thanked lawmakers for their assistance with beach restoration projects and allowing coastal construction to continue during sea turtle nesting season.

Daytona Beach Shores Mayor Nancy Miller focused on hurricane restoration reimbursement. **Mayors Fred Cleveland (New Smyrna Beach) Chris Via (Holly Hill) Chris Cloudman (DeLand)** and others made presentations requesting funds for affordable housing, water lift stations, road construction projects.

The 2024 regular session runs Jan 9 to March 8.

Starting salary for Volusia School District Teachers - \$47,500

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Oct 17— County Council took up a recommendation from the Environment/Natural Resources Advisory Council (ENRAC) regarding Low Impact Development.

The Council agreed on Option 3 providing for optional use of LID and GSI regulations, so it is not preempted by the new state law as an optional program is not more burdensome or restrictive than the existing regulations.

Council also appointed

- **Arthur Kowitz and Terry Sitterow** to Housing Finance Authority...
- Re-appointed **Susan Elliott** to West Volusia Tourism Advertising Authority (WVTAA)
- Re-appointed **Jami Gallegos** to Code Enforcement Board

Volusia’s 2023 property-tax bills were mailed Nov 1.....

They include the ad valorem taxes levied by the county and city governments, school district and St Johns River WMD and other special funds i.e Volusia Forever and ECHO. They also include special assessments for storm-water control and solid-waste collection.

Taxes become payable Nov 1 through March 31, 2024. Unpaid taxes become delinquent April 1, and the owners of the property for which the taxes are not paid may be subject to interest and penalties.

Taxes paid in January receive a 2% discount....and 1% discount on taxes paid in

Just value is the property's market value.

Assessed value is just value minus assessment limitations i.e. Save Our Homes

Taxable value is the assessed value minus exemptions and is the value the tax collector uses to calculate the taxes due.

Barracks of Hope Grand Opening Ceremony

Friday, November 10, 2 PM

962 Derbyshire Rd DB

Guest Speaker Cong Michael Waltz

RSVP – Rhonda Hodges 299-3853





Accepting applications for Daytona Beach Charter Review Commission

Daytona Beach's [Charter](#), the governing document outlining how the city operates, is reviewed every 10 years by a committee made up of residents i.e. Charter Review Commission (CRC). City commissioners are currently looking for residents interested in serving on the CRC. [Click here](#) for an application to serve on the CRC.

Members/alternates are selected in January.....CRC's work should take about 6 months.....several public hearings will take place throughout the city to encourage participation from residents.

The CRC examines the city's existing charter and make recommendations for changes, additions or deletions. Recommendations will be presented to the City Commission for adoption in June. Upon City Commission approval, charter amendments will be placed on the November 5, 2024 general election ballot whereby voters must approve changes to the charter .



Ormond Beach has launched an Economic Development Dashboard on their City's website.

A go-to resource for the business community, partners, and site selectors looking for key demographic, workforce, and economic data regarding the City and region - <https://www.ormondbeach.org/1040/Economic-Development-Data-Dashboard>



Volusia County Schools and Volusia United Educators (VUE) Support personnel have reached agreement on a contract. Highlights include:

- 2.5% salary increase.
- Increase in longevity pay.

Next step is for to ratify the agreement. The agreement goes to VUE members for ratification this week. Upon that, the agreement will go to the board on Nov. 14.

Volusia County's contract negotiation team met Friday, Oct 13 with International Union of Police Assn reps (AFL-CIO) which represents the county's Corrections Lieutenants, to negotiate a new contract. Outcome to be announced soon.



And I don't usually do this but I'm asking that you Please Help a LOCAL business.. In 2022, my good friend Chuck Duva opened [Beaches Entertainment Eatery](#) and Booze Box store, E Intl Speedway Blvd x Peninsula Dr. BUT the FDOT roadwork has customers thinks these businesses are closed....they're NOT! Thus, Chuck's daily business has slowed big time! When the call was made to bring NEW business to E ISB, Chuck was the first to renovate a property with a new complex. Now, he's stuck in a difficult situation. He's got great food and carries fantastic liquors and wines. Please....help him out....



Candidates update.....

Municipal Elections

Ponce Inlet Council Seat 3

[Henry Skip White](#)

Port Orange Council Dist 2

[Tracy Grubbs*](#)

Lake Helen Mayor

[Vernon Burton](#)

Lake Helen Zone 1

[Heather Rutledge](#)

Lake Helen Zone 2

[Lynda Donato](#)

Ponce Inlet Mayor

[Lois Paritsky](#)

Ponce Inlet Council Seat 1

[Gary Smith](#)



**General Election
(8/20/2024) (11/5/2024)**

Supervisor of Elections

Lisa Lewis

State Attorney

Larizza, RJ (REP) *

Sheriff

Mike Chitwood*

Tax Collector

Will Roberts*

County Chair

[Jeff Brower*](#)

[Don Burnette](#)

[Randy Dye](#)

County Council District 2

Matt Reinhart*

School Board District 2

Krista Goodrich

Angela Kopnicky

School Board District 4

Donna Brosemer

Merrick Bruner

Carl Persis

Daytona Beach Commission Zone 2

[Ken Strickland*](#)

New Smyrna Beach Mayor

[Fred Cleveland*](#)

Deltona City Commission Zone 2

[Elizabeth Chavez](#)

[Emma Santiago](#)

Deltona Commission Seat 6

[Dominic Nick Lulli](#)

Edgewater Commission Dist 4

[Gary Conroy](#)

Orange City Mayor

Kelli Marks

William O'Connor

Ormond Beach Mayor

Jason Leslie

Susan Persis

Ormond Commission Zone 2

[Travis Sargeant](#)

Ormond Commission Zone 3

Barbara Bonarrigo

Kristen Deaton

Ormond Commission Zone 4

[Harold Briley](#)

US Congress - House Dist 7

Mills, Cory (REP)*

Pastrana, Allek (DEM)

Fla Senate District 7

George Anthony T Hill (DEM) Gerry

James (REP)

Tom Leek (REP)

Fla House Dist 27

Stephen Wayne Shives (REP)

Beckie Sirolli (REP)

Fla House Dist 28

John Navarra (DEM)

Bill Partington (REP)

Fla House Dist 29

Webster Barnaby* (REP)

Fla House Dist 30

Chase Tramont* (REP)

Justin Albert Davis (DEM)

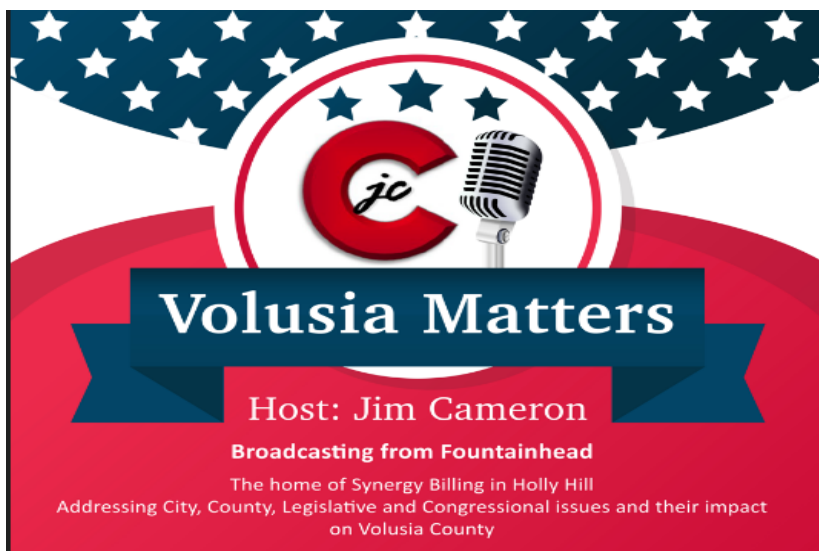
2022 Volusia General Election Stats	
ACTIVE ELIGIBLE VOTERS	412,286
UNOFFICIAL VOTER TURNOUT	227,018 (55%)
Vote by Mail	93,042
Early Voting	57,904
Election Day	76,072
Democrat	67,415
Republican	107,965
NPA	47,594
Others	4,044



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- *Volusia County Receives Additional Housing Funds*
- *Meeting Dates for your calendar*

Volusia County Definitions.....

Bulkhead: a structure/partition to retain/prevent sliding of the land....and to protect the upland against damage from wave action. A form of rigid armoring.

Bulkhead line: a governmentally ordered line, set in or along the Atlantic Ocean, a river, watercourse or other body of water, that establishes the minimum distance from the water any property improvements must be located. "Bulkhead line" shall include the term "seawall line."





Oct 24—**Brandon Frey (Central Fla Regional Director for Gov DeSantis)** is meeting with **Deland Economic Development Director Nick Conte**. Frey also met with DB Development Services staff in addition to attending the Volusia Legislative delegation meeting in Deland.

Volusia School District has 87 schools

- 45 Elementary
- 12 Middle
- 11 Alternative / Special Center
- 9 High
- 7 Charter
- 2 Combination
- 1 District Virtual Instruction Program

The School District has over 61,400 students, over 7,600 employees, Fla's 14th largest district.



Barry Cotton (Sen Rick Scott Regional Director) and Ryleigh Wogoman (Sen Marco Rubio Regional Director) with former VCARD Exec at the Elected Officials Icebreaker.



Daytona Regional Chamber's Candidate Bootcamp — November 28.....Anyone interested in running for political office needs to learn certain aspects of campaigning, and what's expected of a candidate. THIS PROGRAM DOES THAT!

I've attended before and it's very well put together. **Elections Supervisor Lisa Lewis**, campaign managers, and elected officials will share what to expect when running for local, state, and congressional office.

For more info, call Nancy Keefer at 255-0981.

GOVT Terminology Test.....Coastal construction control line (CCCL) is established by the Fla Dept of Environmental Protection to define that part of the beach/dune system which is subject to severe changes based on a 100-year storm surge or storm-induced waves. This is the area within which design considerations are required to protect the beach dune system, proposed or existing buildings, and the preservation of public beach access.

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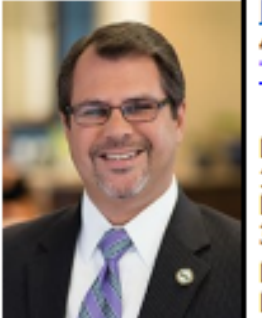
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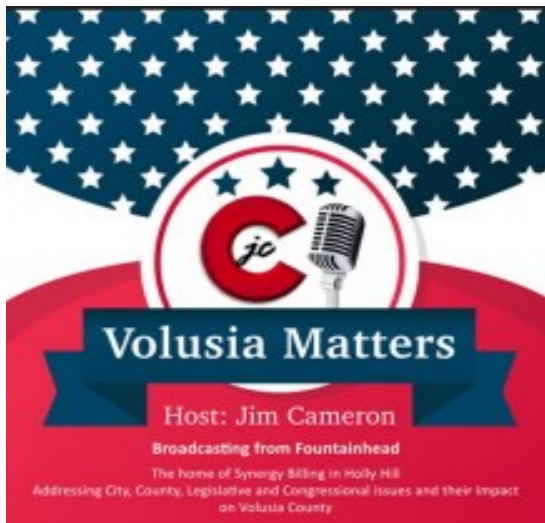
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Volusia Legislative Delegation
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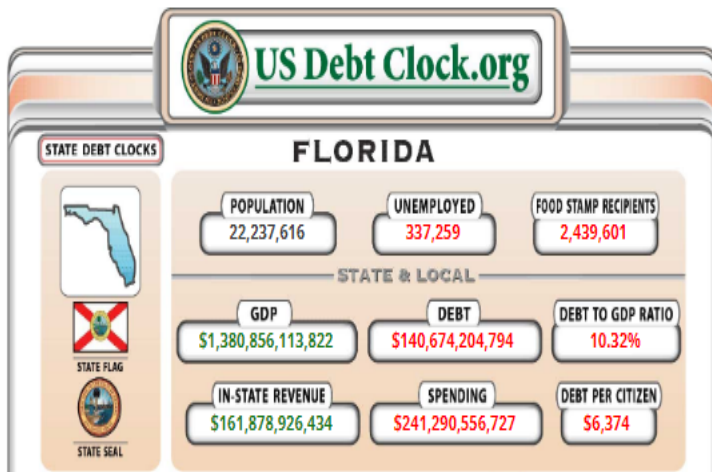
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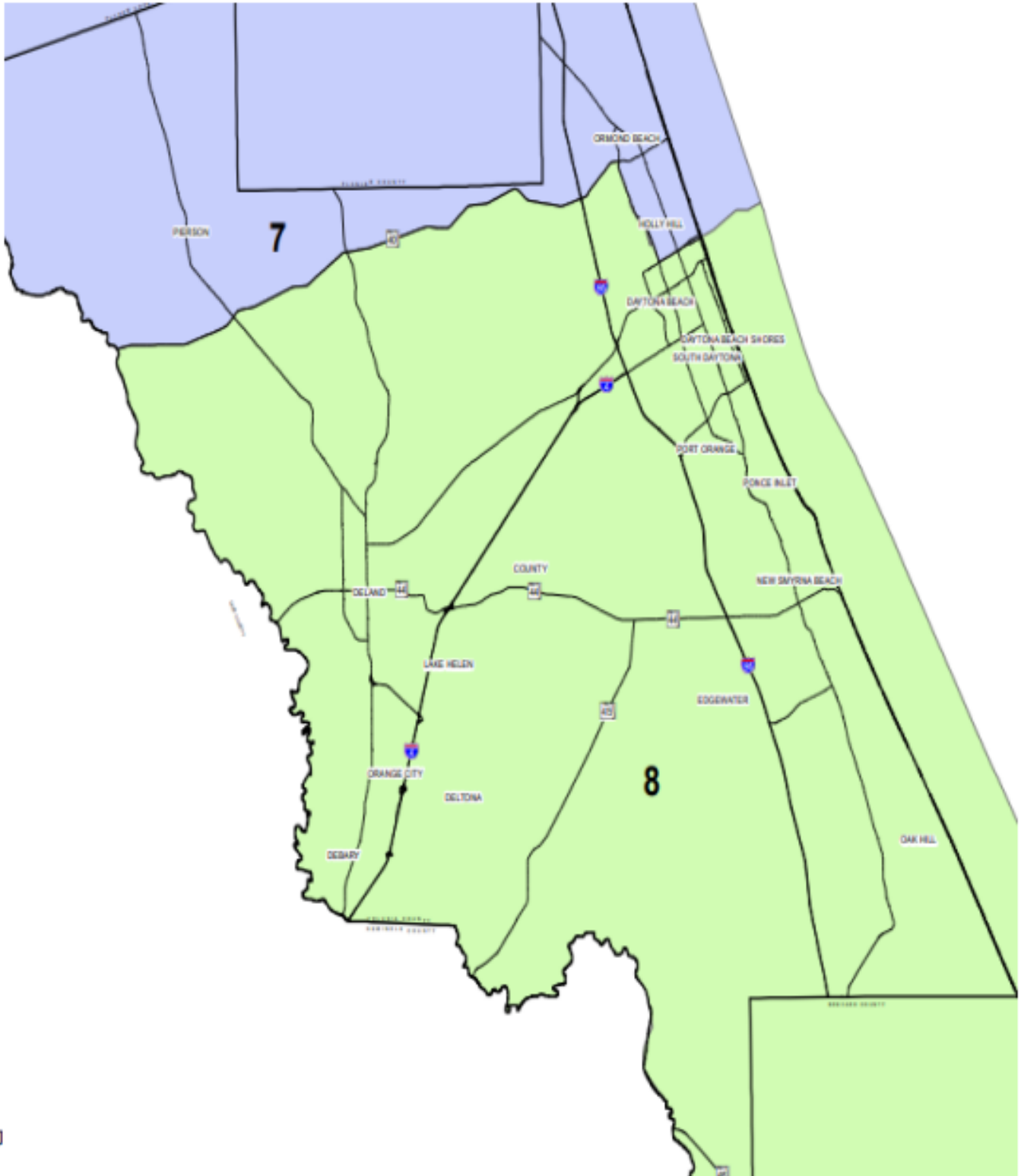
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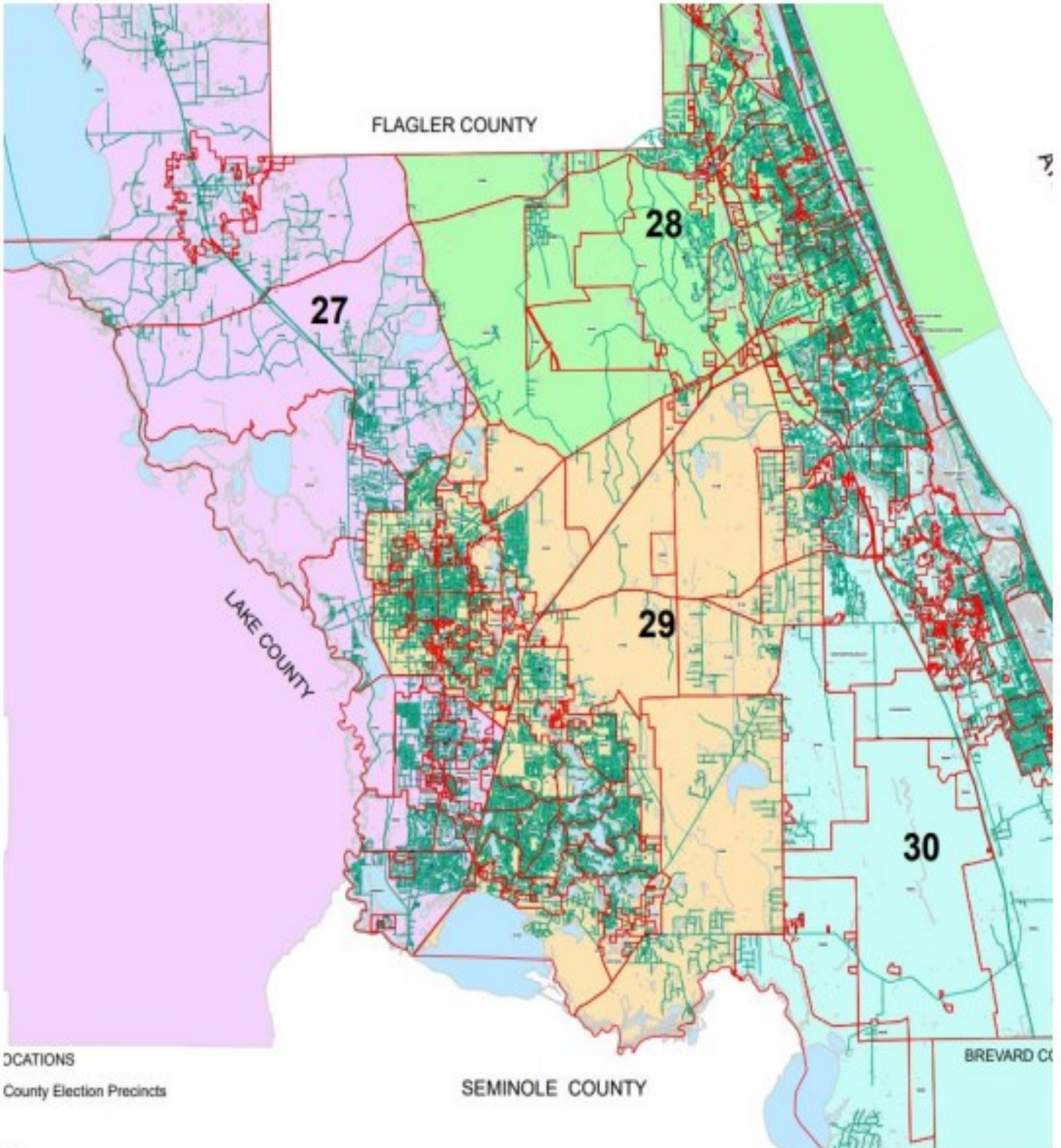
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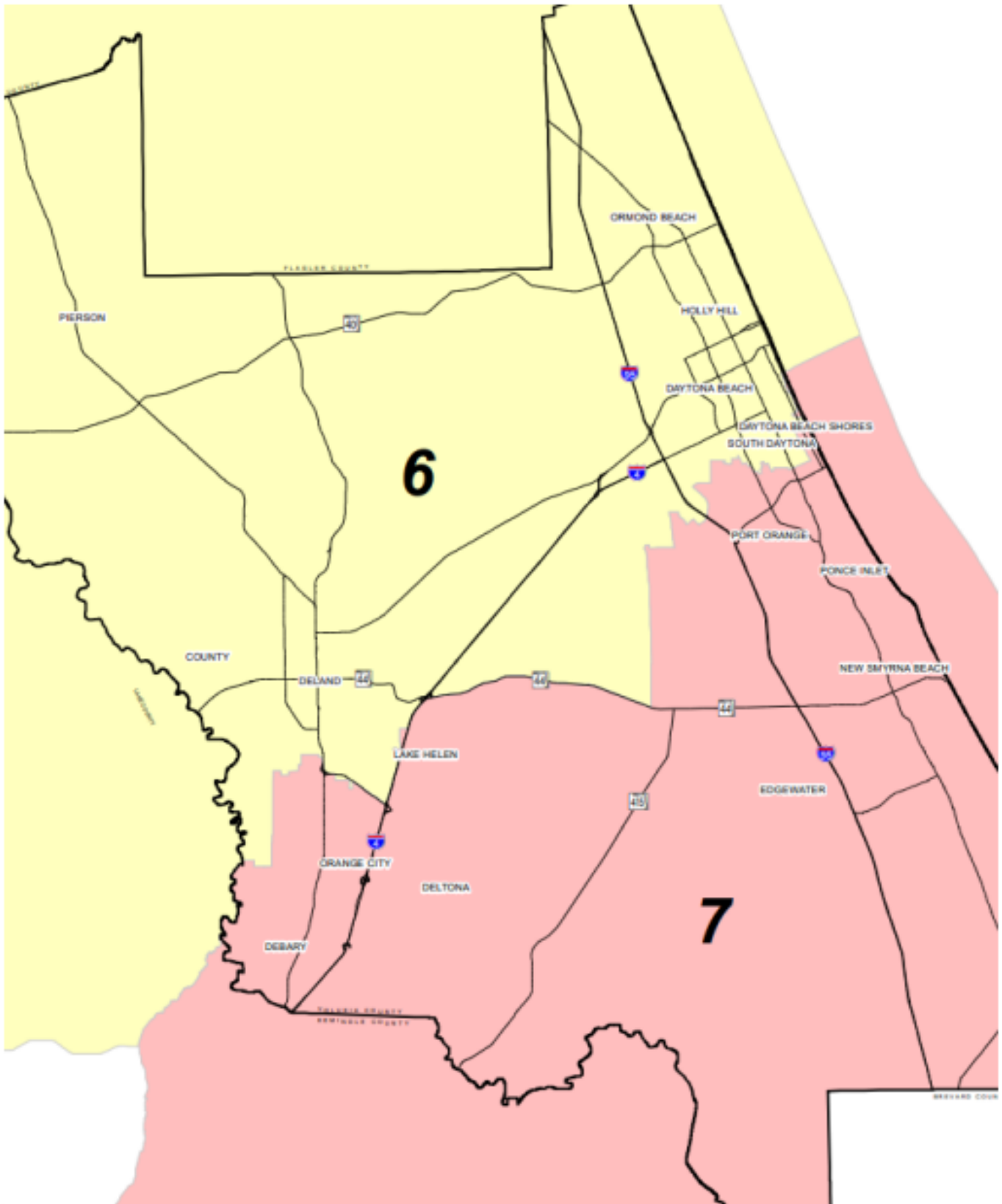
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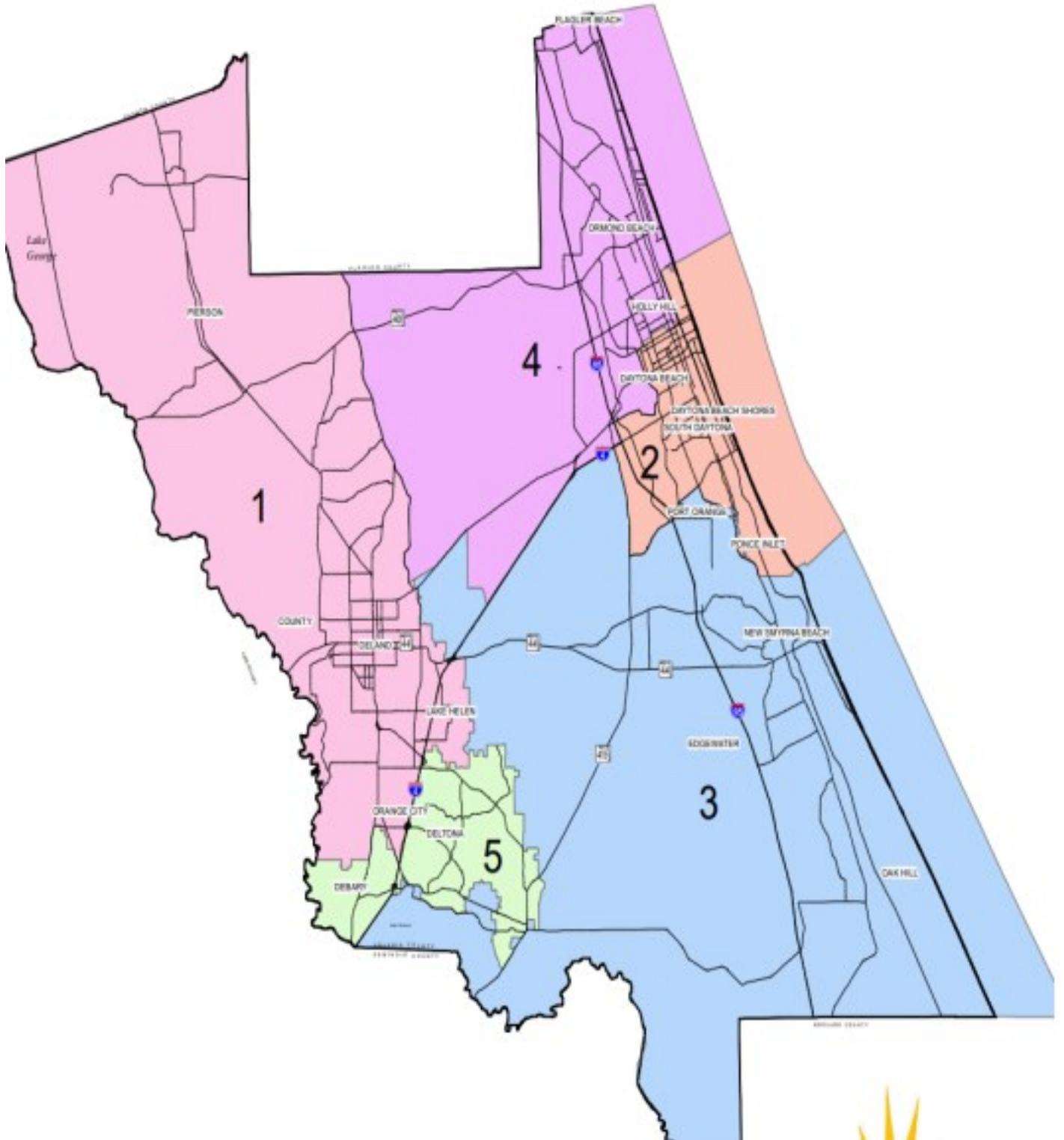


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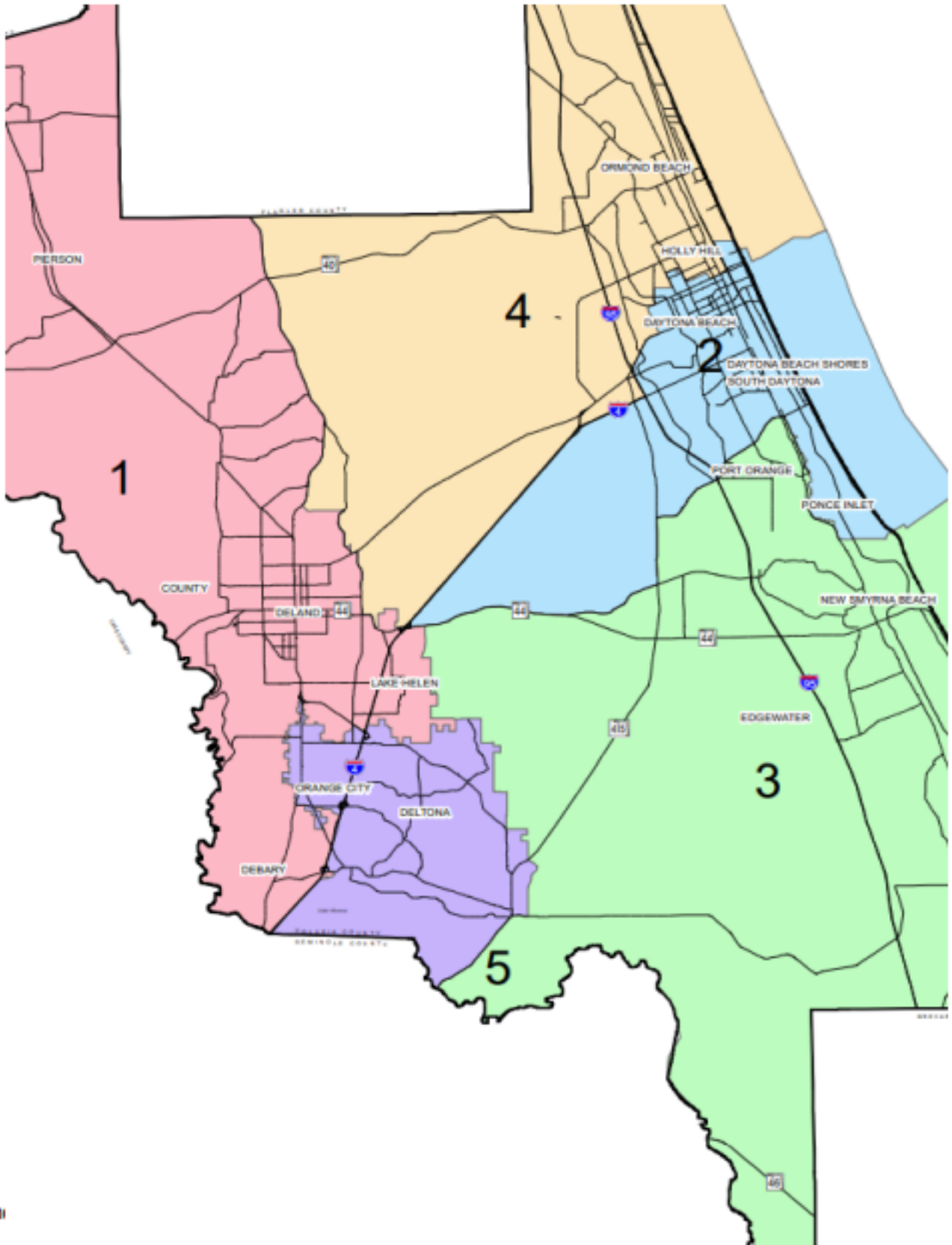
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