



## APALACHEE REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL

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## Leon County Commissioner Kristin Dozier elected Chair of Apalachee Regional Planning Council

Tallahassee, FL – The Apalachee Regional Planning Council (ARPC) has unanimously selected Leon County Commissioner Kristin Dozier as Chair of its 27-member Board.

ARPC is one of 10 regional planning councils in the state. Established in 1977, the Council is a regional convener and provides technical assistance in the program areas of economic/community development, emergency planning, transportation, housing, and resiliency. The Apalachee Region consists of Calhoun, Franklin, Gadsden, Gulf, Jackson, Jefferson, Leon, Liberty, and Wakulla counties and their municipalities.

Commissioner Dozier was first appointed to the Apalachee Regional Planning Council Board in 2017. Her drive and determination to promote economic development continues to bring synergy to the Region. "I am honored to serve as ARPC Chair and look forward to continued collaboration on behalf of the Apalachee Region."

In January of 2019, the ARPC elected Commissioner Dozier as Vice Chair under the leadership of Wakulla County Commissioner Randy Merritt. "It was a pleasure to serve as Chair of the ARPC Board alongside Commissioner Dozier. She demonstrated great tact in the position, and I am confident that Commissioner Dozier will continue to provide excellent leadership in her new role as ARPC Chair."

Several new members have also been appointed to the ARPC Board, including:

Darryl O'Bryan	Calhoun County Commissioner
Sheila Blackburn	Councilwoman, City of Blountstown
Despina George	Commissioner, City of Apalachicola
Jack Porter	Commissioner, City of Tallahassee
Daniel Stanley	Liberty County Clerk
Margaret Rankin	Councilwoman, City of Bristol
Don Grimes	Mayor, City of St. Marks

### ABOUT APALACHEE REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL

The Apalachee Regional Planning Council (ARPC) assist with grants, outreach, project implementation, and other planning activities to enhance the nine-county Apalachee Region. The Council houses a variety of programs, including economic/community development, emergency preparedness, transportation, housing, GIS, environmental/resiliency planning, and will soon offer expanded growth management services. By collaborating across these programs and embracing partnerships with local, state, and federal organizations, the ARPC continues to make a positive and lasting impact throughout the Region.

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