

Legislation Text

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Subject:

Permission to execute lease agreement with NOAA on County-owned property

Fiscal Impact:

NOAA will pay an annual rent of \$6,000 (\$500 per month) to the Utility Services Department to cover maintenance and operation of the property.

Dept/Office:

Utility Services/Emergency Management

Requested Action:

It is requested that the Board of County Commissioners authorize the County Manager to execute a shortterm, eighteen (18) month, lease agreement with the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) for the transmission and reception of weather and emergency broadcast communications on the FAAowned tower located at the Brevard County Wastewater Treatment Plant, 10001 North Wickham Rd., Viera, Florida. It is further requested that the County Manager or his designee be authorized to execute the lease and any additional changes, documents, or amendments to the lease, subject to approval by the County Attorney's Office & Risk Management. It is also requested that the payments made to the County will be directed to the Brevard County Utility Services Department to cover maintenance and operation of the Property and approve any associated budget changes.

This will require a Super Majority Vote.

Summary Explanation and Background:

On September 7, 2010 the Board executed a ten (10) year Lease Agreement with the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administrations (NOAA) for housing a weather station on County-owned property at the Brevard County Wastewater Treatment Plant located at 10001 North Wickham Rd., Viera, Florida. The staff is proposing a short-term lease agreement at this time. The Director of Utility Services through Emergency Management is in conversation with the owner of the tower, the Federal Aviation Authority (FAA), regarding necessary improvements and/or a relocation of the structure. After a final determination from the FAA, a new lease agreement will be executed between the County and NOAA.

The lease agreement serves a public purpose as NOAA's antennas and equipment are instrumental in providing service to a significant portion of the population in this area. The rental payments made to the County will assist the County in paying for maintenance and operation of the Property.

Clerk to the Board Instructions:

Send Clerk Memorandum to Utility Services Department and copy to Emergency Management