

**Indian River County, Florida
Department of Utility Services
Board Memorandum**

Date: August 2, 2023

To: Indian River County Board of County Commissioners

Through: John A. Titkanich, Jr., County Administrator
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Subject: Payment for Replacement of Backflow Device and Installation of Protective Cage at Gifford Youth Achievement Center

Background/Analysis:

The Indian River County Board of County Commissioners entered into a lease agreement with the Progressive Civic League of Gifford for the Gifford Youth Activity Center, Inc. on January 6, 1998. Subsequently, the Board of County Commissioners approved Resolution 2002-100 approving the transfer or assignment of the lease to the Gifford Youth Activity Center, Inc. (aka: Gifford Youth Achievement Center, Inc.).

The lease agreement, amended and dated November 19, 2002, included the terms and conditions for the management of the Gifford Youth Activities Center. Section 8 MAINTENANCE AND REPAIRS states the following:

“The Tenant agrees to make and all repairs and improvements to the Leased Premises and agrees to keep the Leased Premises in a safe, clean and attractive condition during the term of these lease. Landlord agrees to mow grass and maintain the landscaping and shrubbery. Tenant agrees to maintain the automobile parking areas, driveways and the exterior of the building. Landlord’s Renewal and Replacement Fund may be drawn upon for needed repairs with Board of County Commissioners’ approval, but not for ordinary maintenance.”

In April of this year, Indian River County Department of Utility Services (IRCDUS) was retained to replace the facility’s backflow prevention device and to install a protective cage around said backflow device to protect it from inadvertent damage. IRCDUS completed the installation on May 21, 2023 at a cost of \$2,782.93 as detailed in the attached invoice, dated July 7, 2023. Since replacement of the backflow preventer and cage installation would not be considered “ordinary maintenance”, the Gifford Youth Achievement Center, Inc. is requesting approval to utilize the County’s General Fund Renewal and Replacement Account to cover the expenses as authorized within the lease agreement.

Funding:

Funding for the replacement of the backflow preventer and protective cage installation is available in the Gifford Youth Achievement Center’s Renewal and Replacement Account 001-247021.

Consent Item

Description	Account Number	Amount
General Fund/GYAC/ Renewal & Replacement	001-247021	\$2,782.93

Recommendation:

Indian River County Department of Utility Services requests the Indian River County Board of County Commissioners approve the transfer of \$2,782.93 from Indian River County’s General Fund Renewal and Replacement Account 001-247021 to the Utilities/Miscellaneous Income, Acct # 471034-343670.

Attachments:

Invoice 070723