

Office of INDIAN RIVER COUNTY ATTORNEY

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MEMORANDUM

TO:

Board of County Commissioners

FROM:

Dylan Reingold, County Attorney

DATE:

October 20, 2017

SUBJECT:

Termination of Lease Agreement with SafeSpace, Inc. for Space at the Indian River

County Courthouse

BACKGROUND

On April 12, 2016, Indian River County and SafeSpace, Inc., entered into a lease (the "Lease") for a room on the first floor of the Indian River County Courthouse (the "Courthouse"). Under the Lease, SafeSpace, Inc. is required to have employees working in the Indian River County Courthouse a minimum of 20 hours per week. It has come to the attention of the Clerk of the Circuit Court for Indian River County, Jeffrey R. Smith, (the "Clerk") that the room is rarely used. Additionally, the Clerk has noted a greater need for the space in the Courthouse by law enforcement personnel. Therefore, the Clerk has requested that the Indian River County Board of County Commissioners (the "Board") terminate the Lease. Per section 12 of the Lease, either party may terminate the Lease with 60 days written notice. Although the Clerk has requested to terminate the Lease, the Clerk has expressed a willingness to work with SafeSpace, Inc. in finding accommodations for Safe Space, Inc. in the Courthouse at times when space is needed.

FUNDING

There is no funding associated with this matter.

RECOMMENDATION

The County Attorney recommends that the Board decide whether to terminate the Lease with SafeSpace, Inc. and direct the County Attorney to provide notice of termination as provided in the Lease.