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MEMORANDUM

TO: Board of County Commissioners
FROM: Dylan Reingold, County Attorney
DATE: September 14, 2022
SUBJECT: Indian River County – St. Lucie County Interlocal Agreement for Pre-Trial Services

BACKGROUND.

On October 12, 2021, the Indian River County Board of County Commissioners (“Board”) voted to move forward with establishing a pre-trial services program with St. Lucie County running the program. The pre-trial program is utilized by judges as an alternative to having a defendant spend time before trial in jail. On December 7, 2021, the Board approved an interlocal agreement with St. Lucie County at an annual cost of the program not to exceed \$250,744.55. The interlocal agreement was for one year and expires on September 30, 2022. St. Lucie County has presented another interlocal agreement to Indian River County to continue to run the program for another year at a cost of \$304,638. The increase in cost is due to St. Lucie County providing for an additional pretrial officer, which was the result of a client load greater than initially anticipated. It is the intent of the Indian River County Sheriff’s Office to terminate this agreement after one quarter, limiting the payments to St. Lucie County to \$76,159.50 for the first quarter of the fiscal year.

FUNDING.

Funding in the amount of \$76,159.50 for the quarterly cost of the Pre-Trial Services program will be borne by the Indian River County Sheriff’s Office.

RECOMMENDATION.

The County Attorney’s Office recommends that the Indian River County Board of County Commissioners approve the proposed interlocal agreement and authorize the chair to sign any documents necessary to effectuate the interlocal agreement, after review and approval by the County Attorney. Additionally, the County Attorney’s Office recommends that the Board approve the submittal of a termination letter finishing the St. Lucie County operation of the program by January 1, 2023.

ATTACHMENT.
Interlocal Agreement