

INDIAN RIVER COUNTY, FLORIDA AGENDA ITEM

Department of General Services / Parks & Recreation

Date: January 31, 2023

To: The Honorable Board of County Commissioners

Thru: Michael C. Zito, Interim County Administrator

From: Beth Powell, Interim General Services Director/Parks and Recreation Director

Subject: Jones' Pier Conservation Area Use Agreement Between the Town of

Indian River Shores and Indian River County

BACKGROUND:

On September 22, 2022, the Town of Indian River Shores (TIRS) and the Indian River County Sheriff's Office (IRSO) entered into a memorandum of understanding (MOU) that provides for law enforcement activities on behalf of the IRSO which benefits security and law enforcement activities at the Jones' Pier Conservation Area. Concurrently to the approval of this MOU, the TIRS Police Department requested the use of the Jones' Pier for the Town's Public Safety Department's boat which would provide an additional law enforcement presence and security for the site. Upon consultation with the Florida Communities Trust, a funding partner for the acquisition of the Jones' Pier Conservation Area, it was determined that such an Agreement and use of the Jones' Pier would be an appropriate use and beneficial partnership.

DESCRIPTION AND CONDITIONS:

The attached Agreement was approved by the TIRS Council on January 26, 2023. This Agreement provides an opportunity for the TIRS to install a boat lift at the Jones' Pier boat dock at their expense including all design, permitting, and construction. The TIRS will be responsible for maintaining the lift and providing necessary general liability insurance as outlined in the Agreement.

FUNDING:

No County funding is associated with this Agreement other than negligible electricity charges that are budgeted for and associated with the normal operations of the facilities and dock.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff respectfully requests that the Board of County Commissioners approve the Jones' Pier Conservation Area Use Agreement Between the Town of Indian River Shores and Indian River County and authorize the Chairman to execute the Agreement on their behalf after review and approval by the County Attorney, County Risk Manager, and upon receiving written approval by the Florida Communities Trust.

ATTACHMENT:

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