



Legislation Text

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Agenda Item Name:

Request to Amendment the Sub-Lease Agreement Between Alachua County and the state of Florida Agency for Persons with Disabilities

Presenter:

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Description:

Request to amend the Sub-Lease Agreement between Alachua County and the State of Florida Agency for Persons with Disabilities for the Phlox and Tulip buildings and transition the terms to the Gardenia building

Recommended Action:

Staff requests that the Chair approve and sign the attached letter requesting an Amendment to the Sub-Lease

Prior Board Motions:

N/A

Fiscal Consideration:

The annual lease is rent-free. However, there is a \$300 per year Administration Fee which will be absorbed within the current budget. 001.54.5450.526.34.00

Background:

In August 2018, Fire Rescue approached staff at Tacachale about the possibility of sub-leasing a property that could be converted to a station. Tacachale was enthusiastic about the partnership and offered one property (Phlox) that was of sufficient size to accommodate multiple ambulances plus additional office space. During a walkthrough of the Phlox property, staff offered the adjacent property (Tulip) as an alternative site and later agreed to allow Alachua County to sub-lease both properties. The parties agreed to terms and entered the sub-lease agreement.

In March 2020, Fire Rescue received permission to utilize the Gardenia property at Tacachale as a temporary site for operations as construction began on the Phlox building. The process to develop a temporary sub-lease agreement for Gardenia was initiated but remains incomplete due to interruptions associated with Covid-19. During this period, Fire Rescue received an engineering report that stated that renovations to Phlox and Tulip would not be feasible due to the construction type and cost to bring the buildings to current building codes.

Fire Rescue shared the report with Tacachale staff who have agreed to amend the sub-lease agreement for both Phlox and Tulip and transition the terms to the Gardenia Building. Terms or the

sub-lease agreement is for five (5) years rent-free. There is an option for two additional 5-year sub-leases or 15 years total rent-free. Fire Rescue continues to operate from the site with no renovation costs.