

LEE COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY **BLUE SHEET NO: 20030958-UTL**

1. REQUESTED MOTION:

ACTION REQUESTED:

Request authorization to revise the locations of five fire hydrants to be installed while an off-site 10" diameter water main is under construction to connect the Gulf Coast Center to Lee County Utilities.

WHY ACTION IS NECESSARY:

To provide fire protection within the Buckingham Rural Community Preserve.

WHAT ACTION ACCOMPLISHES:

Places the proposed fire hydrants in strategic locations for fire fighting purposes and is cost-effective to be installed while the main is under construction.

2. DEPARTMENTAL CATEGORY: 10 - UTILITIES
COMMISSION DISTRICT #: 5

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3. MEETING DATE:

09-02-2003

4. AGENDA:

- CONSENT
- ADMINISTRATIVE
- APPEALS
- PUBLIC
- WALK ON
- TIME REQUIRED: _____

5. REQUIREMENT/PURPOSE:

(Specify)

- STATUTE _____
- ORDINANCE _____
- ADMIN. CODE _____
- OTHER Authorization _____

6. REQUESTOR OF INFORMATION:

- A. COMMISSIONER: _____
- B. DEPARTMENT: Lee County - Public Works
- C. DIVISION/SECTION: Utilities Division
- BY: Rick Diaz, P.E., Utilities Director

DATE: 8/14/03

7. BACKGROUND:





The Florida Department of Children and Family Services (DCF), f/k/a the Department of Health and Rehabilitative Services or HRS, operates the Gulf Coast Center (GCC), a residential facility for the mentally and physically challenged in the rural Buckingham community of east Lee County.

Providing potable water service to Gulf Coast Center by Lee County will not result in the general availability of central water service elsewhere in the "Rural Community Preserve" land-use category at this time, as the Lee Plan does not presently allow central water service to be provided in this land-use category, which surrounds the Gulf Coast Center in Buckingham.

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8. MANAGEMENT RECOMMENDATIONS:

9. RECOMMENDED APPROVAL

(A) DEPARTMENT DIRECTOR	(B) PURCH. OR CONTRACTS	(C) HUMAN RESOURCES	(D) OTHER	(E) COUNTY ATTORNEY	(F) BUDGET SERVICES				(G) COUNTY MANAGER
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 J. Lavender Date: 8-16-03			P.O. Date: 8-14	 J. Lavender Date: 8-15-03	P.M. 8/20/03	 8/18/03	J. Lavender 8/16/03	J. Lavender 8/15/03	 J. Lavender Date: 8-15-03

10. COMMISSION ACTION:

- APPROVED
- DENIED
- DEFERRED
- OTHER

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However, at the suggestion and recommendation of the representatives of the Rural Preserve, an amendment has been incorporated into this round of Comprehensive Plan amendments to be submitted to DCA for approval, which will allow connection to the water main within the Preserve for those who desire to do so voluntarily upon final approval and implementation by the Board.

On June 10, 2003 the Board approved Amendment No. 1 to the Interlocal Agreement between the Florida Department of Children and Family Services and Lee County, Florida to provide central water service to the Gulf Coast Center, and construct the water main along the east side of Buckingham Road, and connection to the East Lee County Water System with specific conditions relating to the location of five fire hydrants. One was to be installed at the entrance to GCC and the other four were to be installed north of the Preserve.

After the Board action, Lee County Utilities (LCU) was contacted by the Chief of Tice Fire and Rescue District and requested the remaining four hydrants be installed at the following locations within the Preserve. 1. The intersection of Buckingham Road and Orange River Boulevard. 2. On the east side of Buckingham Road approximately 1500' north of Orange River Boulevard. 3. The intersection of Buckingham Road and Cemetery Road. 4. The intersection of Buckingham Road and River Road. LCU and DCF agree that installing hydrants at these locations will provide greater benefit for the residents of the area. The cost of these hydrants will be the financial responsibility of DCF and they have agreed to direct their contractor to install the hydrants where the Fire District prefers. However, due to the fact the Interlocal Agreement specified other locations DCF requests Board approval prior to directing their contractor to install the hydrants as requested.

Request authorization to relocate the fire hydrants in anticipation of DCA approval of the proposed Buckingham Rural Preserve relating to the placement and voluntary connection to the new water main. By strategically placing the fire hydrants at this time, there are advantageous to both DCF and LCU.

