



Broward County

Legislation Text

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Broward County Commission Regular Meeting

Director's Name: Mark Gale

Department: Aviation

Division: Administration

Information

Requested Action

MOTION TO AUTHORIZE Director of Aviation to execute an amendment to the Signatory Terminal Building Lease Agreement with Spirit Airlines to permit the continued occupancy of space for COVID-19 testing at Broward County's Fort Lauderdale-Hollywood International Airport for an additional period not to exceed twelve months commencing on December 3, 2021, subject to review by the Office of the County Attorney as to form and legal sufficiency.

Why Action is Necessary

Broward County Board of County Commissioners ("Board") approval is required to authorize the Director of Aviation to execute an amendment to the Signatory Terminal Building Lease Agreement ("Signatory TBLA") with Spirit Airlines, Inc. ("Spirit") for temporary leased space that exceeds a period of six months.

What Action Accomplishes

Authorizes the Director of Aviation to execute an amendment to permit the COVID-19 testing operation to continue at Broward County's Fort Lauderdale-Hollywood International Airport ("FLL") for an additional period not to exceed 12 months.

Is this Action Goal Related

No

Previous Action Taken

None

Summary Explanation/Background

THE AVIATION DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDS APPROVAL OF THE ABOVE MOTION.

This action authorizes the Director of Aviation to execute an amendment to permit the COVID-19 testing operation to continue at FLL for an additional period not to exceed twelve months.

The COVID-19 pandemic has made a lasting impact on the aviation industry. With testing requirements in place by certain domestic and international destinations in the fall of 2020, the offering of testing was an amenity that the Board desired to offer to FLL's traveling public. Broward County Aviation Department ("BCAD") staff discussed with interested airlines the possibility of a partnership in order to offer a COVID-19 testing operation at FLL.

Spirit expressed a desire to offer COVID-19 testing at FLL and entered into a contract with Nomi Health, Inc. ("Nomi") for the administration of the testing operation at FLL. The Signatory TBLA with Spirit authorizes the Director of Aviation to execute an amendment for the use of temporary additional space for a period of time not to exceed six months during any consecutive twelve-month period.

On December 3, 2020, the Director of Aviation executed Amendment No. 10 to the Signatory TBLA with Spirit in order to implement the testing operation at FLL. Amendment No. 10 provided for a six-month period for the testing operation, which started on December 9, 2020, in Terminal 3, with tests offered to all ticketed passengers.

On April 20, 2021 (Item No. 3), the Board authorized the Director of Aviation to execute an amendment to the Signatory TBLA with Spirit to extend the continued occupancy of space for COVID-19 testing at FLL. On June 2, 2021, the Director of Aviation executed Amendment No. 11 to extend the COVID-19 testing operation for an additional six-month period expiring on December 2, 2021.

As of October 31, 2021, over 69,000 tests have been administered by Nomi at the FLL testing site. Because the testing requirements are still in place for many international destinations and this is an important amenity for the traveling public, BCAD is requesting authorization for an extension to the existing testing operation for a period not to exceed twelve months. The extension will provide BCAD with an opportunity to conduct a solicitation for concession services that includes health testing, as well as to find another suitable testing location at FLL. Due to the construction for the Terminal 3 modernization project, the current testing location in Terminal 3 will need to be relocated for the continuation of the project.

This action authorizes the Director of Aviation to execute an amendment to the Signatory TBLA, which will permit the continued occupancy of current space in Terminal 3 for a period not to exceed twelve months commencing on December 3, 2021.

The resulting amendment will be reviewed as to form and legal sufficiency by the Office of the County Attorney.

Source of Additional Information

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Fiscal Impact

Fiscal Impact/Cost Summary

The estimated revenue derived from the amendment for a period of twelve months for the use of the testing space is approximately \$940.