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Title: MOTION TO DISCUSS staff report detailing parameters, costs, models, and potential options for

wastewater testing and a coordinated wastewater surveillance program to monitor for disease causing

agents in Broward County.

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Date Ver. Action By Action Result

Broward County Commission Regular Meeting

<u>Director's Name:</u> Leonard Vialpando

<u>Department:</u> Resilient Environment **<u>Division:</u>** Choose a Division.

Information

Requested Action

<u>MOTION TO DISCUSS</u> staff report detailing parameters, costs, models, and potential options for wastewater testing and a coordinated wastewater surveillance program to monitor for disease causing agents in Broward County.

Why Action is Necessary

Required in order to have board discussion on this topic.

What Action Accomplishes

Permits board discussion on this subject.

Is this Action Goal Related

No

Previous Action Taken

On September 8, 2022, at the regular commission meeting of the Broward County Board of County Commissioners, staff was directed to prepare a report outlining parameters and costs for wastewater testing for disease causing agents.

Summary Explanation/Background

During the September 8, 2022, Broward County Commissioner meeting, the Board directed staff to bring back a report outlining parameters and costs for wastewater testing for disease causing agents.

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Accordingly, staff researched the details of various wastewater surveillance efforts, programs, and monitoring networks being implemented within and outside of the state of Florida. Research included consultation with academic service providers; communications with national, state and local centers for disease control and public health; and consultation with local governments and wastewater service providers.

This item includes a summary of this research and presents four potential options for the Board's consideration. Success hinges on a public health entity's participation, as any data we might acquire would need their cooperation for analysis and implementation of any appropriate protective measures.

Source of Additional Information

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Fiscal Impact

Fiscal Impact/Cost Summary

There is no fiscal impact associated with the motion to discuss.