# **Broward County**



# **Legislation Text**

File #: 20-873, Version: 1

**Broward County Commission Regular Meeting** 

**Director's Name:** Norman Foster

**Department:** Office of Management and Budget

# <u>Information</u>

# **Requested Action**

A. <u>MOTION TO APPROVE</u> Help America Vote Act (HAVA) grant award and authorize the County Administrator to execute all administrative and budgetary actions necessary to implement the grant.

(Per the Tuesday Morning Memorandum, Regular Item 49 and Supplemental Item 61 will be heard concurrently.)

ACTION: (T-11:44 AM) Approved. (Refer to minutes for full discussion.)

VOTE: 9-0. Commissioners Bogen, Fisher, Rich and Vice-Mayor Geller voted in the affirmative telephonically.

B. <u>MOTION TO ADOPT</u> budget Resolution No. 2020-287 within the General Fund in the amount of \$2,327,770, for the Supervisor of Elections (SOE), to transfer funds in the amount of \$2,321,000 from Commission reserves to address COVID impacts on SOE operations and \$6,770 from the County's grant match reserves to provide for the County's HAVA grant match.

(Per the Tuesday Morning Memorandum, Regular Item 49 and Supplemental Item 61 will be heard concurrently.)

ACTION: (T-11:44 AM) Approved. (Refer to minutes for full discussion.)

VOTE: 9-0. Commissioners Bogen, Fisher, Rich and Vice-Mayor Geller voted in the affirmative telephonically.

C. <u>MOTION TO ADOPT</u> budget Resolution No. 2020-288 within the HAVA Grant Match Fund in the amount of \$6,770, for the SOE to appropriate revenue for the County's grant match.

(Per the Tuesday Morning Memorandum, Regular Item 49 and Supplemental Item 61 will be heard concurrently.)

ACTION: (T-11:44 AM) Approved. (Refer to minutes for full discussion.)

VOTE: 9-0. Commissioners Bogen, Fisher, Rich and Vice-Mayor Geller voted in the affirmative telephonically. (Refer to minutes for full discussion.)

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#### Why Action is Necessary

- A. Obtains Commission approval for the County match commitment and certification required to accept the grant from the State.
- B. Transfers the amount needed from reserves within the General Fund for the County's HAVA Grant Match obligation and to address anticipated COVID impacts to SOE operations.
- C. Appropriates revenue within the HAVA Grant Match Fund to fulfill the County's grant match obligation.

# What Action Accomplishes

- A. Obtains Commission approval for the County match commitment and certification required to accept the grant from the State.
- B. Transfers the amount needed from reserves within the General Fund for the County's HAVA Grant Match obligation and to address anticipated COVID impacts to SOE operations.
- C. Appropriates revenue within the HAVA Grant Match Fund to fulfill the County's grant match obligation.

#### Is this Action Goal Related

No

#### **Previous Action Taken**

None

#### **Summary Explanation/Background**

The general purpose of the HAVA grant is to improve the administration of federal elections. The Supervisor of Election's Office plans to use the 2020 award for the continuation of cybersecurity and improvements in preparation for the 2020 Presidential Election. The total award for the 2020 HAVA election administration activities grant is \$51,901. Of this amount, the Federal portion is \$45,131. The County has agreed to a \$6,770 match.

Funds in the amount of \$2,321,000 are transferred from reserves in response to the Supervisor of Elections letters to the County on April 10 and 30. As discussed on the April 21<sup>st</sup> Commission Meeting in response to the April 10 letter these funds are intended to be used to address anticipated impacts on the Supervisor of Elections operations resulting from the COVID pandemic.

# Source of Additional Information

Peter Antonacci, Supervisor of Elections, (954) 712-1950

#### **Fiscal Impact**

#### Fiscal Impact/Cost Summary

The fiscal impact to Broward County is \$2,327,770 from Commission reserves and grant match reserves currently budgeted in the General Fund.

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