Broward County



Legislation Text

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Broward County Commission Regular Meeting

Director's Name: Mark Gale

Department: Aviation **Division:** Security

Information

Requested Action

A. <u>MOTION TO RATIFY</u> Other Transaction Agreement between the Department of Homeland Security, Transportation Security Administration, National Explosives Detection Canine Team Program, and Broward County, Florida, for the Canine Team Program established at Broward County's Fort Lauderdale-Hollywood International Airport as enumerated in the confidential exhibits from the Director of Aviation to the Broward County Board of County Commissioners; and to authorize the Mayor and Clerk to execute same.

(Item Numbers 37 and 38 were heard and voted on concurrently.)

ACTION: (T-3:59 PM) Approved. (Refer to minutes for full discussion.)

VOTE: 9-0.

B. <u>MOTION TO APPROVE</u> updated Other Transaction Agreement between the Department of Homeland Security, Transportation Security Administration, National Explosives Detection Canine Team Program, and Broward County, Florida, for the Canine Team Program established at Broward County's Fort Lauderdale-Hollywood International Airport, which includes updates to the Statement of Joint Obligations, as enumerated in the confidential exhibits from the Director of Aviation to the Broward County Board of County Commissioners; authorize the Director of Aviation to approve and execute all amendments to this Other Transaction Agreement, subject to the approval as to form by the County Attorney's Office and to take any necessary administrative and budgetary actions; and to authorize the Mayor and Clerk to execute same.

(Item Numbers 37 and 38 were heard and voted on concurrently.)

ACTION: (T-3:59 PM) Approved. (Refer to minutes for full discussion.)

VOTE: 9-0.

Why Action is Necessary

Motions A and B: All agreements require the approval of the Broward County Board of County Commissioners ("Board").

What Action Accomplishes

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Motion A: Allows Broward County ("County") to ratify the acceptance of federal funding from the Department of Homeland Security, Transportation Security Administration ("TSA") via an Other Transaction Agreement to support the Canine Team Program established at Broward County's Fort Lauderdale-Hollywood International Airport ("FLL").

Motion B: Approves an updated OTA, which includes updates to the Statement of Joint Obligations ("SOJO"), for the continued support of the Canine Team Program established at FLL.

Is this Action Goal Related

No

Previous Action Taken

None.

Summary Explanation/Background

THE AVIATION DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDS APPROVAL OF THE ABOVE MOTIONS.

On June 12, 2020, the Director of Aviation executed an Other Transaction Agreement ("OTA") for the continuation of the Canine Team Program at FLL. On March 24, 2021, the TSA notified the Broward County Aviation Department ("BCAD") that an updated OTA needed to be executed by the County. Upon receipt of the updated OTA, BCAD staff determined that the original document executed by the Director of Aviation was not an amendment to a previous OTA and should have been approved by the Board.

Therefore, Motion A as part of this action ratifies the execution of the original OTA and the acceptance of federal funding from the Department of Homeland Security, TSA, in support of the Canine Team Program established at FLL.

Motion B approves the updated OTA, which includes updates to the SOJO and supports the continuation of federal funding provided by the TSA for the Canine Team Program at FLL. The OTA is for a period of five years with an estimated award amount of \$2,045,250. This action also authorizes the Director of Aviation to approve and execute all future amendments to the OTA.

The confidential exhibits referenced in these actions describe specific information regarding FLL's Security Plan, and are considered to be Sensitive Security Information. No part of such exhibits may be disclosed to persons without a "need to know" as defined in 49 Code of Federal Regulations Parts 15 and 1520, except with the written permission of the Administrator of TSA or the Secretary of Transportation.

Furthermore, the confidential exhibits referenced in these actions represent portions of the Aviation Security Program related to the Canine Team Program, which are exempt from disclosure under the Florida Public Records Act, Section 119.071(3), Florida Statutes. Unauthorized release of this information may result in civil penalty or other actions.

The proposed OTA were reviewed by the Office of the County Attorney. The Other Transaction Agreements do not include the County's standard Agreement provisions as TSA requires the County to use its form Agreements.

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Source of Additional Information

None

Fiscal Impact

Fiscal Impact/Cost Summary

This project is budgeted in the Aviation Department Operating Fund 40100.