

**PALM BEACH COUNTY
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY**

Meeting Date:	December 03, 2019	<input type="checkbox"/> Consent	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Regular
		<input type="checkbox"/> Ordinance	<input type="checkbox"/> Public Hearing

Department:	Engineering & Public Works
Submitted By:	Engineering & Public Works
Submitted For:	Traffic Division

I. EXECUTIVE BRIEF

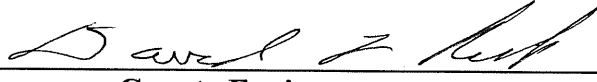

Motion and Title: Staff requests Board direction: establishing a policy to allow the installation of license plate readers (LPRs) within Palm Beach County (County) maintained right-of-way (ROW) for law enforcement purposes only, as requested by local law enforcement agencies and municipalities. Staff recommends allowing LPRs within County maintained ROW and recommends that the LPRs approval process be handled through the County’s existing ROW permit process.

SUMMARY: Local law enforcement agencies and municipalities within the County have requested the installation of LPRs on standalone poles within County ROW as well as on County maintained traffic signal support structures located within County maintained ROW, and on County maintained traffic signal support structures located within Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) and municipally maintained ROW. LPRs provide personal information from license plate images to law enforcement agencies in support of their official duties and serve a public purpose by enhancing the safety and security of the public. Approval of LPRs in FDOT ROW is not being considered at this time.

Since this is the first of future requests, staff is seeking Board direction allowing LPRs on County ROW and is recommending using the existing permit process for review and approval of the installation of LPRs within County ROW. Staff would issue the ROW permit, with a condition that the LPRs will be used only for law enforcement purposes. LPRs shall be installed in a manner so as not to interfere with the operation and maintenance of traffic signals and associated support structures. The permit applicant shall be solely responsible for all costs associated with the installation, operation, maintenance, and removal of the LPRs. Countywide (YBH)

Background and Policy Issues: The County was asked to allow LPRs on County ROW as well as on non-County ROW. This agenda items seeks direction on whether to approve LPRs on County ROW only. Whether the County will be involved in the approval process for LPRs on non-County ROW will be discussed at a later date. However, it should be noted that the County has original traffic control jurisdiction and maintains traffic signals within County ROW, except for ROW over which municipalities have original traffic control jurisdiction. The County operates and maintains traffic signals within FDOT ROW and municipal ROW through traffic signal maintenance agreements and traffic control jurisdiction agreements. FDOT has deferred approval and installation of LPRs within FDOT ROW to the local signal maintaining agency. The County does not have the authority to issue permits for work performed outside of County ROW. Although the FDOT has deferred approval and installation of LPRs within FDOT ROW to the local signal maintaining agency, the County does not currently have authority to approve devices installed outside of County ROW and shall not issue permits for the installation of LPRs on any signal support structures it maintains within FDOT ROW or pursuant to traffic control jurisdiction agreements with municipalities. The FDOT and those municipalities wishing to allow LPRs to be installed on their signal support structures that are maintained by the County will have to amend their respective agreements with the County in order to include such installation.

Attachments:
None

Recommended By:		11/5/19
	County Engineer	Date
Approved By:		11/14/19
	Assistant County Administrator	Date

II. FISCAL IMPACT ANALYSIS

A. Five Year Summary of Fiscal Impact:

Fiscal Years	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Capital Expenditures	\$ -0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
Operating Costs	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
External Revenues	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
Program Income (County)	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
In-Kind Match (County)	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
NET FISCAL IMPACT	\$ **	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
# ADDITIONAL FTE POSITIONS (Cumulative)					

Is Item Included in Current Budget? Yes No
Does this item include the use of federal funds? Yes No X

Budget Acct No.: Fund__ Dept.__ Unit__ Object
Program

Recommended Sources of Funds/Summary of Fiscal Impact:

**This item has no fiscal impact. Staff is requesting Board direction.

C. Departmental Fiscal Review: *Alicia Kovalainen*

III. REVIEW COMMENTS

A. OFMB Fiscal and/or Contract Dev. and Control Comments:

[Signature] 11/5/19
OFMB 8/11/4

[Signature] 11/13/19
Contract Dev. and Control 11/12/19 RW

B. Approved as to Form and Legal Sufficiency:

[Signature] 11/14/19
Assistant County Attorney

C. Other Department Review:

Department Director

This summary is not to be used as a basis for payment.