

REQUEST FOR CITY COUNCIL CONSIDERATION

Meeting Date: April 9, 2007

Agenda Item: 5 (F)	Prepared By: Bruce Weinstein, P.E., Senior Project Mgr. Date: March 29, 2007
Agenda Section: Business: Discussion	
Subject: Grant of Easement at Marco Lakes to Collier County	Department: Marco Island Utilities

BACKGROUND:

City Council is asked to consider the grant of easements to Collier County at the Marco Lakes site in exchange for the payment of \$967,000.

Collier County intends to make significant operational and safety improvements to Collier Boulevard from U.S. 41 to the Golden Gate Main Canal. These improvements are to include adding two more travel lanes (from four (4) lanes to six (6) lanes), lighting, bike lanes, and sidewalks. To complete the project Collier County requires a 35-foot wide strip of land along the western boundary of the City's Marco Lakes Site along SR 951.

Collier County has requested that the City enter into an Agreement to sell the County a perpetual easement 35-foot wide and 4,265.03-foot long (referred to as Parcel 803 in the Agreement) of the City's Marco Lakes property adjacent to SR 951. The area of the easement is 3.417 acres. The total area of the Marco Lakes Site is 208 acres. The County has also requested the City enter into a second Agreement to provide the County a temporary construction easement (referred to as Parcel 703) in the Agreement) just east and adjacent to Parcel 803 that is five feet wide over the same length of Parcel 803 except for a length of 997.33 feet where the width is 25 feet. The wider section of the temporary easement will be cleared by the County's construction contractor for staging equipment but it will also be the location of the new dirt road that the County's contractor will build to replace the existing dirt road located along the western edge of Marco Lakes (just inside the fence). The temporary easement will be for a period of three years from the date of execution of the Agreement with an option that allows the County to extend it for one addition year by recording a Notice of Time Extension in the Public Records of Collier County, Florida. The County hired an appraiser to determine the value of the easements and determined that for the permanent easement the payment to the City should be \$967,000 which includes \$30,300 for the City to replace 1,085 square feet of asphalt, 2,241 linear feet of fence, and one 20-foot long roll gate. The value of the temporary easement was determined by the appraiser to be \$0.00.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Authorize the City Manager to enter into an agreement with Collier County for the sale of a permanent easement and a temporary easement for a fee of \$967,000.

Reviewed by Department Director	Reviewed by City Manager <i>[Signature]</i>
Council Action: Motion by:	Second by: <i>[Signature]</i>