

Executive Summary

To: Gregory W. Veliz, City Manager

From: Patti McLauchlin, Assistant City Manager

Date: 1/7/2021

RE: Poinciana Gardens Funding Interlocal Agreement

Action:

Respectfully request the City Commission to execute the Poinciana Gardens Funding Interlocal Agreement between the City of Key West, Monroe County and the Key West Housing Authority.

Background:

In 2015 at the request of the City of Key West, the Key West Housing Authority constructed an Assisted Living Facility on Key West Housing Authority property located at 1664 Dunlap Drive, Key West, Florida. The intent was for KWHA to build the facility and contract the operation and management of the facility to a management company that had the knowledge and expertise to run an Assisted Living Facility. In February 2019, after terminating the second management company, KWHA took over the management and operations of Poinciana Gardens. At that time, KWHA was in talks with Monroe County Board of County Commission to assume the operation of Poinciana Gardens, but due to COVID-19 and the ensuing pandemic, those talks stalled. KWHA no longer has the financial wherewithal to continue subsidizing Poinciana Gardens. Recently the City of West, Monroe County Board of Commission, and the Key West Housing Authority expressed a shared interest in continuing to provide an Assisted Living Facility for the residents of the city and county. The proposed funding ILA would keep the facility open and operational through FY 2021. In the interim, KWHA will continue conversations with the County regarding the possibility of the County taking over the operations of the facility in the near future, as the County has the experience, knowledge, expertise, and personnel needed to operate Poinciana Gardens.

Financial Impact:

City of Key West and Monroe County Board of County Commission shall each pay to the Key West Housing Authority (KWHA) \$400,000 for operations during fiscal year 2021.

\$400,000.00 budgeted in the FY 2020-2021 budget. Account # 001-1900-519.82- General Government/Grants & Aids

Recommendation:

Request the City Commission approve the Poinciana Gardens Funding Interlocal Agreement.