

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF KEY WEST, FLORIDA, DIRECTING THE CONTINUATION OF THE MONTH TO MONTH AGREEMENT WHILE NEGOTIATING A LONG TERM LEASE AND PLANNING FOR FACILITY AND OPERATIONAL IMPROVEMENTS; PROVIDING DIRECTION TO THE CITY MANAGER; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

WHEREAS, the City, in conjunction with its partners, currently provides a temporary overnight emergency shelter on Monroe County owned land on Stock Island ("KOTS"); and

WHEREAS, the Monroe County sheriff has repeatedly publicly stated he does not want KOTS next to his offices and jail on the County owned property; and

WHEREAS, facing opposition from the sheriff and continued litigation from neighboring property owners, the City entered into a settlement agreement in the litigation; and

WHEREAS, the settlement recognized "The ability to relocate to any site is contingent upon a number of factors such as financing and community, government and social service participation"; and

WHEREAS, in light of these contingencies, the City agreed to use its "best efforts and due diligence" in an attempt to relocate KOTS; and

WHEREAS, the City and County Commissions met to publicly discuss issues associated with KOTS; and

WHEREAS, the City has been evaluating locations, designs and costs to site a facility; and

WHEREAS, the City is currently operating KOTS on a month to month lease with the County; and

WHEREAS, despite utilizing its best efforts and due diligence, the City has been unable to relocate KOTS.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF KEY WEST, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1: That the City Manager is directed to continue the month to month agreement with the County.

Section 2: That the City Manager is directed to propose a long term lease and plan for facility and operational improvements at the current location.

Section 3: That this Resolution shall go into effect immediately upon its passage and adoption and authentication by the signature of the presiding officer and the Clerk of the Commission.

Passed and adopted by the City Commission at a meeting held this _____ day of _____, 2015.

Authenticated by the presiding officer and Clerk of the Commission on _____, 2015.

Filed with the Clerk _____, 2015.

Mayor Craig Cates _____
Vice Mayor Mark Rossi _____
Commissioner Teri Johnston _____
Commissioner Clayton Lopez _____
Commissioner Billy Wardlow _____
Commissioner Jimmy Weekley _____
Commissioner Tony Yaniz _____

CRAIG CATES, MAYOR

ATTEST:

CHERYL SMITH, CITY CLERK