



MEMORANDUM

Date: April 1, 2025

To: Honorable Mayor and Commissioners

Via: Brian L. Barroso
City Manager

From: Gary Moreira
Senior Property Manager

Subject: **File No. 25-3305 License Agreement between the City of Key West and Florida Department of Environmental Protection for the installation of a tidal gauge at White Street Pier**

Introduction

This is a request to approve a license agreement between the City of Key West and the Florida Department of Environmental Protection regarding installation of a tidal gauge and weather station at White Street Pier.

Background

Staff received a request from a representative of Florida Department of Environmental Protection's surveying and mapping department requesting the city allow them to install a tidal gauge with a weather component on the White Street Pier. In partnership with NOAA, the equipment will provide data to FDEP and NOAA that will be shared with the City. In addition to water levels, it will provide water temperature, winds, outside temperatures, etc. The proposed location of the unit is on the northwest corner of the pier upon review and approval of staff.

Photos of the proposed equipment installed at a pier located in Pasco County are attached, as well as a photo of the weather station component.

Pursuant to Section 2-939 of the Code of Ordinances the City may enter into a revocable license agreement for the use of city property which may be unilaterally terminated by the City with or without cause. The proposed terms of the revocable license agreement are as follows:

License Term: Month to month, with ten (10) days written notice to terminate.

Financial Impact: None.

Recommendation

Staff recommends approval and execution of this month-to-month license agreement. The data provided to the city will be unfiltered, directly from a city owned location that could help Port and Marine Services, Community Services and Utilities to better assess and predict tides that are typically understated from current sources as well as provide other important weather data.

Attachments:

License with Exhibit A

Weather station