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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

TO: Jim Scholl, City Manager
E. David Fernandez, Asst. City Manager

FROM: Gary W. Bowman, General Services and Engineering Director

DATE: April 15, 2010

SUBJECT: Approval of an amendment (1st amendment) to the interlocal agreement with the Board of County Commissioners for Monroe County on behalf of the Tourist Development Council (TDC) to exercise the option to extend the agreement for a five (5) year period to receive funding in an amount up to \$380,000 per year to pay for cleaning and maintenance for Smathers Beach and Rest Beach

ACTION STATEMENT:

This resolution will approve an amendment (1st amendment) to the interlocal agreement with the Board of County Commissioners for Monroe County on behalf of the Tourist Development Council (TDC) to exercise the option to extend the agreement for a five (5) year period to receive funding in an amount up to \$380,000 per year to pay for cleaning and maintenance for Smathers Beach and Rest Beach.

BACKGROUND:

Resolution 05-218 authorized a grant application to the Monroe County Tourist Development Council for funding up to \$548,071.60 for Smathers Beach and Rest Beach cleaning. Subsequently, an interlocal agreement was entered into on October 19, 2005 for funding to be provided to the City at an amount of \$380,000 per year for the period beginning October 1, 2005 and ending September 30, 2010 for cleaning and maintenance of Smathers Beach and Rest Beach. The interlocal agreement contains an option to extend the agreement for one additional five year period.

Key to the Caribbean - Average yearly temperature 77° F.

PURPOSE & JUSTIFICATION:

The funds the City receives through this interlocal agreement with the TDC provides significant assistance with the cost of cleaning and maintaining Smathers Beach and Rest Beach at a rate of approximately 50% of the cost.

OPTIONS:

1. Approve the amendment to the interlocal agreement with the Board of County Commissioners for Monroe County / TDC to exercise the option to extend the agreement for a five (5) year period. This option will allow the City to continue receiving funding in an amount up to \$380,000 per year to pay for cleaning and maintenance for Smathers Beach and Rest Beach.
2. Decline to approve the amendment to the interlocal agreement with the Board of County Commissioners / TDC. This option will forego grant funding in an amount up to \$380,000 per year for a five year period and places the entire burden on the City to clean and maintain Smathers Beach and Rest Beach.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

There is no cost associated with exercising the option to extend the interlocal agreement. However, the cost of cleaning and maintaining Smathers Beach and Rest Beach will, of course, continue to impact the budget line items currently in place. It should be noted that without the funding received through the interlocal agreement (up to \$380,000 per year for a five year period), the City would bear 100% of the beach cleaning and maintenance costs.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends the City Commission select option 1, approve the amendment to the interlocal agreement with the Board of County Commissioners for Monroe County on behalf of the Tourist Development Council (TDC) to exercise the option to extend the agreement for a five (5) year period to receive funding in an amount up to \$380,000 per year to pay for cleaning and maintenance for Smathers Beach and Rest Beach

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