

Board of County Commissioners

Agenda Request

Date of Meeting: August 18, 2008

Date Submitted: August 11, 2008

To: Honorable Chairman and Members of the Board

From: Brent X. Thurmond, Clerk of Court

Subject: Request Approval to Schedule a Workshop on September 22, 2008 at 4:00p.m. to Discuss the Courthouse Addition/Renovation Project

Statement of Issue:

This agenda item requests Board approval of a workshop to be held on September 22, 2008 with the Construction Management firm Peter Brown and Architect Greg Kelley, to discuss moving the project forward.

Background:

We are at a stage now with this project where some decisions need to be made about the scope of the project. Now that we have a construction management firm on our team, we will have some options and cost estimates for BOCC consideration and our thoughts are that a workshop will be the most appropriate way to move forward at this stage.

Analysis:

The details of the options will be presented at the meeting, and we will have an agenda item to go along with this for a subsequent meeting for your vote. This stage will only commit us to spending money on more detailed plans, not to a specific construction dollar amount. That decision will come after the detailed plans are prepared and approved, bid out and the guaranteed maximum price and scope is approved by the BOCC, so that the BOCC can see there are still several hurdles to clear prior to the final decision time.

One of the driving forces behind this project is a local economic stimulus emphasis. For this reason, we are anxious to have the BOCC keep this project moving forward, to hasten the day of putting some local tradesman to work right here.

Options:

1. Approve to schedule a Workshop on September 22, 2008 at 4:00p.m.
2. Do not approve to schedule a Workshop on September 22, 2008 at 4:00p.m.
3. Board direction.

Recommendation:

Option #1