

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY**

Meeting Date: May 21, 2008 - KL

Division County Attorney

Bulk Item: Yes X No

Staff Contact Person: Christine Limbert-Barrows

AGENDA ITEM WORDING:

Approval of a resolution to reduce the number of newspapers used to print notices to one (1) newspaper.

ITEM BACKGROUND:

In 2007, the Board discussed reducing or eliminating the number of days bid notices are advertised and the numbers of newspapers they are advertised in to reduce advertising costs. Due to our unique logistics, the Board agreed to reduce the number of days from two (2) days to one (1) day but to remain advertised in all three area newspapers. With increasing technology making public notice available electronically, and due to ever increasing budgetary constraints, this resolution reduces the number of local newspapers legal notices are published in to one (1) newspaper, requires all legal notices be published on the Monroe County website and applies to all County legal notices, with the exception of those otherwise specifically regulated, i.e. Florida Statute, Monroe County Code, etc.

PREVIOUS RELEVANT BOCC ACTION:

7/18/07 BOCC approved reducing the number of days bid notices are advertised in all three area newspapers (*Key West Citizen, Keynoter and Reporter*) from two (2) days to one (1) day

CONTRACT/AGREEMENT CHANGES:

N/A

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

Approval.

TOTAL COST: _____

BUDGETED: Yes No

COST TO COUNTY: _____

SOURCE OF FUNDS: _____

REVENUE PRODUCING: Yes No X

AMOUNT PER MONTH _____ **Year** _____

APPROVED BY: County Atty CLB X OMB/Purchasing Risk Management

DOCUMENTATION: Included X Not Required

DISPOSITION: _____

AGENDA ITEM # _____

RESOLUTION NO. _____-2008

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MONROE COUNTY, FLORIDA, TO REDUCE THE NUMBER OF NEWSPAPERS USED TO PRINT NOTICES TO ONE NEWSPAPER

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners is required by Florida Statutes to publish public notices and legal advertisements in a newspaper of general paid circulation; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners can save funds by publishing public notices and legal advertisements in one newspaper meeting statutory requirements; and

WHEREAS, public notices or legal advertisements must be placed in a newspaper that meets the applicable statutory requirements and provides notice to affected persons; and

WHEREAS, public notices and legal advertisements are also posted on the Monroe County website for purposes of providing notice;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Monroe County:

Section 1. Whenever the Board of County Commissioners is required by state statute to publish public notices or legal advertisements, such notice or advertisement shall be printed in one newspaper meeting the statutory requirements of general paid circulation in Monroe County.

Section 2. All public notices or legal advertisements shall also be posted on the Monroe County website; www.monroecounty-fl.gov, as additional notice to interested affected persons; however failure to do so shall not invalidate any proceedings.

Section 4. Except for notices for land use matters, all public notices or legal advertisements regarding road abandonment and any other matters that require location-specific public hearings or notices as required by statute or Monroe County Code shall be published in a newspaper that meets the statutory requirements and has the lowest cumulative price, including publication and proof of publication charges in the location affected by the proposed action.

Section 5. Notices for ordinances and other matters, including final budget hearings and land use matters, shall be published in a newspaper that is published at least 5 days a week whenever possible as specifically required by statute.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of County Commissioners of Monroe County, Florida, at a meeting of said Board held on the _____ day of _____, 2008.

Mayor Charles "Sonny" McCoy _____
Mayor Pro Tem Mario DiGennaro _____
Commissioner Sylvia Murphy _____
Commissioner George Neugent _____
Commissioner Dixie Spehar _____

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF MONROE COUNTY, FLORIDA

(Seal)
Attest: DANNY L. KOLHAGE, Clerk

By: _____
Mayor Charles "Sonny" McCoy

By: _____
Deputy Clerk

MONROE COUNTY ATTORNEY
APPROVED AS TO FORM:
Christine M. Limbert-Barrows
CHRISTINE M. LIMBERT-BARROWS
ASSISTANT COUNTY ATTORNEY
Date 4/10/08