

**JEFFERSON COUNTY
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

REGULAR AGENDA REQUEST

TO: Board of County Commissioners

FROM: Mark McCauley, County Administrator

DATE: January 23, 2023

SUBJECT: Sole Source Emergency Contract

STATEMENT OF ISSUE: Recently an abandoned sailboat became beached on Indian Island just south of the Indian Island Bridge. The boat presented an immediate environmental threat due to fuels and lubricants on board. It also presented a threat to the Indian Island Bridge supports. The boat needed to be removed from the water as quickly as possible and disposed of.

ANALYSIS: The County needed to move quickly to prevent damage to the environment and to the bridge. Commissioner Eisenhower worked quickly with the Department of Natural Resources – Derelict Vessel Removal Program (DNR-DVRP) and secured a commitment to reimburse the County for the cost of recovering the boat. Commissioner Eisenhower then contacted TowBoatUS/Marine Assist of Port Hadlock, Inc. and arranged for them to recover the boat which they subsequently did.

This request is two-fold – that the Board:

- Declare the abandoned boat an emergency requiring quick action.
- Authorize the County Administrator prepare and sign/execute a sole source contract with TowBoatUS/Marine Assist of Port Hadlock, Inc., which will include ratification of expenses incurred prior to the execution of said contract.

FISCAL IMPACT: This request is budget neutral. The DNR-DVRP will reimburse the County for expenses incurred to recover the boat.

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board make and consider approving the following motions:

- Declare the abandoned boat an emergency requiring quick action; and
- Authorize the County Administrator prepare and sign/execute a sole source contract with TowBoatUS/Marine Assist of Port Hadlock, Inc., which will include ratification of expenses incurred prior to the execution of said contract.

REVIEWED BY:

Mark McCauley, County Administrator

Date

1/20/23