



## STAFF REPORT

### City Commission Regular Meeting

June 27, 2024

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**To:** City Commission

**From:** Dale L. Martin, City Manager

**Date:** June 27, 2024

**Item Name:** Proposed Resolution 2024-38- Grant of Easements to DC BLOX for the Purpose of Undersea Cable Landings.

**Background:** Over the course of the last year, DC BLOX, an owner operator of multi-tenant data centers throughout the southeastern United States, entered into discussions with several Flagler County governments about the construction of such a center in Palm Coast. City of Flagler Beach officials were not part of any broader conversations among other governments related to the proposed project.

The project calls for easements granted by the City to have undersea cables come ashore in Flagler Beach at two locations: N. 11<sup>th</sup> Street and Veterans Park. From those locations, additional infrastructure will be installed to connect to the proposed data center in Palm Coast. DC BLOX officials have prepared a document (attached) to provide more information about the company and the project.

Due to general unfamiliarity with a project of this type and scope, a consultant was retained to provide technical and financial review and insight to aid the City in its determination on how to proceed. The resulting document from the consultant is attached.

**Fiscal Impact:** The terms and conditions of the proposed easements and cable landings remain to be negotiated by the City.

**Staff Recommendation:** Staff recommends granting the easements associated with the two landing sites upon satisfactory negotiation of the terms and conditions of those easements.

**Attachments:** Proposed Resolution 2024-36  
Correspondence, "Flagler Beach Community Q&A" (DC BLOX)  
Correspondence, M. Tammaro to D. Martin (June 21, 2024)