



ITEM SUMMARY

MEETING DATE: March 4, 2024

FROM: Carlos Cedeño, Director, Public Works Department

SUBJECT: **Resolution 2024-13**
Utility Easement Palm Beach County Water Utilities Department
Lift Station #5015

BACKGROUND

The Palm Beach County Water Utilities Department (PBCWUD) is planning a project to replace, reposition and expand wastewater lift station #5015 located on the west end of the City's B-Canal. This lift station is critical infrastructure that moves wastewater from surrounding communities within the City of Greenacres toward the wastewater treatment plant. This project will improve the lift station's long-term operability and reliability, reduce maintenance costs, and enable remote monitoring to reduce response times in the event of any emergency.

The construction of the lift station will require access to property owned by the City of Greenacres, PBCWUD requests that the City of Greenacres grant a Utility Easement. This perpetual easement would allow for perpetual, unrestricted and nonexclusive easement in, over, under, through, upon, and across the Easement Area for the purposes of constructing, operating and maintaining public utilities and providing utility services to and from properties or lands. This may include the Property, to provide utility service to properties which may not be contiguous to the Easement Area, including the right to lay, or cause to be laid, and to maintain, repair, rebuild, operate and control utility pipes, poles, wires, mains, transmission lines, appurtenances and device. The easement allows Palm Beach County Water Utilities Department the right to clear and keep it clear of brush, trees, and permanent structures and fire hazards.

ANALYSIS

In order for the replacement, reposition and expansion of Lift Station #5015 to occur, Palm Beach County Water Utilities is requesting the City of Greenacres provide a Utility Easement together with all rights of ingress and egress necessary for the full and complete use, occupation, and enjoyment of the Easement Area, all rights and privilege and the permanent, full and free right and authority to own, construct, operate, maintain, repair, install, rebuild and replace utility facilities within the Easement Area.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

This agreement does not have a financial impact on the City's or the Public Works Department operating budget.

LEGAL

The Resolution has been prepared in accord with the applicable City Code requirements.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Approval of the Utility Easement Agreement through adoption of Resolution 2024-13.