



Albemarle County

Legislation Text

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AGENDA DATE: 9/7/2022

TITLE:

Resolution Supporting the Albemarle Charlottesville Regional Jail (ACRJ) Request for State Funding for Jail Renovation Project

SUBJECT/PROPOSAL/REQUEST: ACRJ is seeking a supporting resolution from each member jurisdiction affirming a request for 25% reimbursement of eligible costs from the State for planned facility renovation work

ITEM TYPE: Consent Action Item

STAFF CONTACT(S): Richardson, Walker, Rosenberg, Kumer

PRESENTER (S): Martin Kumer

LEGAL REVIEW: Yes

REVIEWED BY: Jeffrey B. Richardson

BACKGROUND: At its meeting in March 2022, the Albemarle Charlottesville Regional Jail Authority (ACRJA) Board approved a resolution seeking a State funding commitment of 25% of eligible costs for planned facility renovation work. The approved ACRJA resolution satisfies State requirements for seeking such support. In May, Supervisor Diantha McKeel (ACRJA Chair), Martin Kumer, Superintendent and other facility and project representatives presented the resolution to the Virginia Board of Local and Regional Jails (BLRJ) on behalf of the ACRJA, Albemarle County, Nelson County and the City of Charlottesville. The BLRJ was expected to consider and act on the request at its scheduled July meeting but did not do so due to lack of a quorum. It is now expected that the BLRJ will consider and act on the matter at its next meeting in September.

STRATEGIC PLAN: Infrastructure Investment - Prioritize, plan, and invest in critical infrastructure that responds to past and future changes and improves the capacity to serve community needs.

DISCUSSION: Virginia Code requires a formal request from either the regional jail authority board or member jurisdictions. Given that the ACRJA has already approved and submitted a formal resolution requesting State support, resolutions from the member jurisdictions are not required. However, such resolutions are being requested from the three member jurisdictions at this time to strengthen the position of the ACRJA as it seeks official action from the BLRJ later in September.

Later this fall, if and when the BLRJ indicates its support for State financial support of the planned project, it is anticipated that the ACRJA will ask formally for each of the three member jurisdictions to indicate support for the respective share of the local funding required to finance the project based on preliminary project design and cost assumptions.

BUDGET IMPACT: The requested Resolution is seeking State support for 25% reimbursement of total eligible costs for the planned ACRJ renovation project. Such State funding support, if secured, will reduce significantly

the overall financial burden to the three member jurisdictions including Albemarle County's proportionate share of local project costs.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the Board adopt the resolution as set forth in Attachment A.

ATTACHMENTS:

A - Albemarle County Resolution