



Albemarle County

Legislation Text

File #: 18-489, **Version:** 1

AGENDA DATE: 9/12/2018

TITLE:

Community Use of County Facilities Policy

SUBJECT/PROPOSAL/REQUEST: Approval of amended Community Use of County Facilities Policy - Parking Lots

ITEM TYPE: Regular Action Item

STAFF CONTACT(S): Richardson, Walker, Henry, Kamptner, Freitas

PRESENTER (S): Kamptner, Richardson, Henry

LEGAL REVIEW: Yes

REVIEWED BY: Jeffrey B. Richardson

BACKGROUND: Since first adopting a Community Use of County Facilities Policy (the "Policy") on February 10, 1982, the Board has encouraged the use of County facilities by Local Government and the Schools Division for their activities, as well as by outside organizations and groups, as long as their activities do not interfere with County business. The Board reviewed and approved the most recent changes to the Policy on June 13, 2018, which amended among other things, the policies pertaining to the parking lots. The policy was revised to authorize the parking lots to be closed to general public use when the County Executive determines that their being open at any other times would conflict with County business ((subsection 10(b)(3)) or when a state of emergency or a local emergency has been declared (subsection 10(b)(4)) (See Attachment A).

STRATEGIC PLAN: Quality Government Operations: Ensure County government's capacity to provide high quality service that achieves community priorities.

DISCUSSION: The issue for the Board is whether the policy regarding the use of the parking lots should remain as it is or be further amended.

Before the August 10-12 state and local emergency declarations, the parking lots at COB-McIntire were open to general use by the public when the County was not open for business. The only restriction was that parking was not allowed between 2 a.m. and 6 a.m. each day. Since the emergency declaration, after hour public parking has not been allowed. The purpose of this presentation and discussion is to allow the Board to consider options for public use of County grounds, and for staff to explain considerations associated with each option.

BUDGET IMPACT: To be determined once final policy is in place.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the Board consider options and provide direction related to the Community Use of County Facilities Policy.

ATTACHMENTS:

A - Existing Community Use of County Facilities Policy