

August 6, 2018

Mr. Leo Ochs, County Manager  
Collier County  
3299 Tamiami Trail East, Suite 202  
Naples, FL 34112

Dear Mr. Ochs:

Attached you will find a revised Interlocal Agreement as recommended and approved by the City of Marco Island Council at their August 6, 2018 council meeting. The City and County staff had negotiated an Interlocal Agreement that was deemed acceptable and recommended for approval by County staff. City Council had approved this Interlocal Agreement and was prepared to execute that agreement. At the June 26<sup>th</sup> County Commission meeting, the County placed additional conditions upon the approval of the COPCN.

City Council strongly believes that the “ad valorem tax” issue should not be attached as a condition to the COPCN, or the Interlocal Agreement. It should be noted that the County’s proposed Interlocal Agreement did not reflect the amendment to the original motion. However, in an attempt to satisfy both the Commission’s and the City Council’s concerns, the City Council has reinserted that language into the Interlocal Agreement and is willing to accept that provision. The City understands that, at a minimum, the County will continue to provide services during the start-up phase of the first year. Therefore, you will find the below provisions inserted into the Interlocal Agreement:

- The City shall not request reimbursement or reduction of ad valorem taxes collected by Collier County from the City for the first year of the COPCN.
- That a referendum is passed by voter approval on August 28, 2018.
- This Interlocal Agreement shall be effective on the condition that the County issues the City a COPCN, that is acceptable to both the City and the County.

The City and its staff have been very fair in negotiating through this process in order to accommodate many of the County’s requests. We believe that the execution of this Interlocal Agreement and the issuance of the COPCN will benefit both our residents as well as the County’s.

Upon acceptance, the City Council Chair will execute the Interlocal Agreement. We look forward to sitting down with your staff and setting up a time line for execution and continuing our mutually beneficial and very positive working relationship.

Sincerely,

Guillermo Polanco

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