

**Item Title:** Donation of Decontamination Trailer and Equipment from Rex Hospital

**Specific Action Requested:**

**That the Board of Commissioners accepts the donation of the Decontamination Trailer and included equipment from Rex Hospital.**

**Item Summary:**

As a part of the Radiological Emergency Preparedness (REP) Program, Emergency Management must maintain supplies and equipment to support Emergency Worker Decontamination. Currently, that equipment is stored on shelves and not readily deployable. In the event of deployment, equipment would have to be removed from shelves, organized, loaded, transported, unloaded and set up at decontamination sites. Deploying requires time and additional staff with unique skills and knowledge. This inefficiency has been noted on internal after-action reports during past drills and exercises. Staff have been discussing options to improve efficiency with the purchase of a trailer or shipping containers in the options. Prior to implementing the new operating procedure or purchasing a transport container, Rex Hospital contacted Emergency Management offering to donate their decontamination trailer.

Rex Hospital had purchased the trailer in 2005 to expand their mass decontamination capability. Since that time, Rex has completed construction/renovation of a decontamination area within their hospital and no longer requires the trailer nor the decontamination equipment contained therein.

Rex Hospital sought interest from several agencies and selected Wake County to receive the trailer. The equipment from Rex Hospital, coupled with existing stored equipment, would allow the REP Emergency Worker Decontamination equipment to be housed in the trailer, ready for deployment, thereby improving operations. The custom-built trailer also contains features making it efficient at delivering decontamination services.

In conjunction with Wake County General Services Administration, Wake County Emergency Management has assessed all the equipment on the trailer as well as the trailer itself and found it to be in excellent condition.

Wake County Emergency Management will provide management of the equipment and trailer and will fund maintenance and repairs through the Duke Energy Grant Funds that support the REP Program. When required, replacement will be considered a capital purchase by Duke Energy, thereby having no impact on the annualized financial condition of the Agreement between Duke Energy and Wake County.

**Attachments:**

1. Letter from Rex Hospital
2. GSA Assessment of Trailer
3. Inventory and Value of Trailer and Included Equipment