

Item Title: Additional Appropriation for Multi-Year Emergency Services Agreement between Wake County and Duke Energy

Specific Action Requested:

That the Board of Commissioners accepts and appropriates an additional \$42,000 of funding as part of the existing Multi-Year Emergency Services Agreement between Wake County and Duke Energy for Harris Nuclear Plant programming.

Item Summary:

Purpose: The Board of Commissioners appropriates all revenues and expenditures.

Background: Duke Energy partners with Wake County and other jurisdictions to prepare for possible emergencies at the Harris Nuclear Plant. The current multi-year grant funding agreement between Duke Energy and Wake County does not cover expenditures for the procurement of capital items, which includes vehicles. The Agreement does allow Duke Energy to provide funding upfront allowing Wake County to procure capital items. Duke Energy and Wake County have agreed that one of the boats, operated by the Sheriff's Office, needs replacement. Duke Energy has opted to provide Wake County an additional \$42,000 for the procurement of a new boat. The boats are used for law enforcement patrols, rescues, and searches on other bodies of water across the county. Operating and maintenance costs of vehicles are covered in the routine compensation provided annually by Duke Energy. Storage is provided at a Duke Energy facility near the nuclear plant.

Board Goal: Public Safety; This action supports routine County public safety operations.

Fiscal Impact: The amendment to the agreement provides an additional \$42,000 for the acquisition of capital items. There are no matching funds required from the County.

Additional Information:

The options available to Duke Energy for the procurement of capital items have recently been solidified to reconfigure the procurement of capital items. Beginning FY 2021, Duke Energy will increase its operating support to fund vehicle replacement following the County's fleet replacement schedule.

Boats provided by the Harris Program, are permitted to be, and are, used for law enforcement patrols, rescues, and searches on other bodies of water across the county.

Attachments:

1. Budget Memo