



## Pinellas County

315 Court Street, 5th Floor  
Assembly Room  
Clearwater, Florida 33756

### Staff Report

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File #: 20-720A

Agenda Date: 6/2/2020

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**Subject:**

Proposed settlement of a claim brought by Pinellas County against its insurer, FM Global, on behalf of the South Cross Bayou Water Reclamation Facility – water damage.

**Recommended Action:**

Approve the proposed settlement of \$466,133.24 from FM Global in the claim brought by Pinellas County on behalf of the South Cross Bayou Water Reclamation Facility.

**Strategic Plan:**

N/A

**Summary:**

On August 15, 2019, as the result of a severe weather event, a valve at the South Cross Bayou Water Reclamation Facility overflowed allowing wastewater to flood the UV system, resulting in damages to the facility and requiring replacement of the UV system. Pinellas County has an insurance policy with FM Global that covered this incident.

The amount of this settlement is approximately \$117,226.01 less than the County's claim to FM Global due to FM Global not covering the cost for replacement of cables determined not to have been damaged in the weather event, the majority of internal labor costs for claims preparation and repair, as well as the estimated FDEP fine, which is not reimbursable pursuant to the insurance policy.

It is recommended that the proposed settlement be accepted. Risk Management and the County Administrator concur with this recommendation.

**Background Information:**

N/A

**Fiscal Impact:**

Total amount of claim to be paid to the County is \$466,133.24.

**Staff Member Responsible:**

Jewel White, County Attorney

Christy Donovan Pemberton, Managing Assistant County Attorney

Nancy S. Meyer, Senior Assistant County Attorney

Merry Celeste, Division Director, Risk Management

Megan Ross, Division Director, Utilities Department

**Partners:**

N/A

**Attachments:**

N/A



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**Subject:**

Proposed settlement of a claim brought by Pinellas County against its insurer, FM Global, on behalf of the South Cross Bayou Water Reclamation Facility.

**Recommended Action:**

Consideration of the proposed settlement of a claim brought by Pinellas County against its insurer, FM Global, on behalf of the South Cross Bayou Water Reclamation Facility.

**Strategic Plan:**

N/A

**Summary:**

The above-referenced matter is being brought to the Board of County Commissioners for consideration in accordance with the confidential memorandum of June 2, 2020.

**Background Information:**

N/A

**Fiscal Impact:**

Unknown.

**Staff Member Responsible:**

Jewel White, County Attorney  
Christy Donovan Pemberton, Managing Assistant County Attorney  
Nancy S. Meyer, Sr. Assistant County Attorney

**Partners:**

N/A

**Attachments:**

N/A