



City of Pensacola

222 West Main Street
Pensacola, FL 32502

Memorandum

File #: 20-00266

City Council

5/28/2020

LEGISLATIVE ACTION ITEM

SPONSOR: Grover C. Robinson, IV, Mayor

SUBJECT:

VISIT PENSACOLA INC. LEASE FOR VISITOR INFORMATION CENTER AT WAYSIDE PARK

RECOMMENDATION:

That City Council authorize the Mayor to execute a 15-year lease with Visit Pensacola, Inc., for the Visitor Information Center located at Wayside Park, for its continued use as a Visitor Information Center and to house the administrative offices of Visit Pensacola, Inc..

HEARING REQUIRED: No Hearing Required

SUMMARY:

In 2000, the City entered into a 20-year lease with the Chamber of Commerce for the then-existing Visitor Information Center at Wayside Park. The Chamber subleased the building to the corporation that was formed by the Chamber to handle area tourism advertising, Visit Pensacola, Inc., and the building was renovated and expanded during the term of the lease. This lease ended without renewal in March 2020, and Visit Pensacola, Inc. has requested that the City enter into a direct lease with it for continued use of the property.

The proposed lease is a nominal one for 15 years, with a provision allowing the City to terminate it at will upon giving one year's advance notice to Visit Pensacola. Visit Pensacola is to be responsible for maintenance, utilities, improvements, insurance and all associated costs of occupancy.

PRIOR ACTION:

March 9, 2000 - City Council unanimously approved lease agreement between the City of Pensacola and the Pensacola Area Chamber of Commerce for a .44 acre site in Wayside Park for the expansion of the Visitor Information Center.

March 21, 2000 - City of Pensacola and the Pensacola Area Chamber of Commerce executed a lease agreement with a 20-year term for the Visitor Information Center building.

FUNDING:

N/A

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

None

CITY ATTORNEY REVIEW: Yes

5/15/2020

STAFF CONTACT:

Keith Wilkins, City Administrator

ATTACHMENTS:

- 1) Proposed Lease Agreement - Visitor Information Center

PRESENTATION: No