

**RESOLUTION R-02-138**

**A RESOLUTION OF MANATEE COUNTY, FLORIDA DELEGATING THE AUTHORITY TO MAKE PRE-SUIT OFFERS IN EMINENT DOMAIN CASES FOR THE NORTH TO SOUTHEAST RECLAIMED WATER TRANSMISSION MAIN PROJECT, PARCELS IDENTIFIED AS EXHIBIT "A", TO THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR OR HIS DESIGNEE, SUBJECT TO APPROVAL BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, FOR THE AMOUNT UP TO THE APPROVED APPRAISED VALUE OF THE PROPERTY SOUGHT TO BE ACQUIRED.**

**WHEREAS**, the Board of County Commissioners, has heretofore approved the scope and construction of the project described in Exhibit "A" attached hereto and identified in the Capital Improvement Project; and

**WHEREAS**, under Florida Statute 73.015, effective July 1, 2000, before bringing an eminent domain proceeding, the condemning authority must attempt to negotiate in good faith with the fee owners of the parcels to be acquired, as outlined in Exhibit "A", provide fee owners with a written offer, and, if requested, a copy of the appraisal report upon which the offer is based, and attempt to reach an agreement regarding the amount of compensation to be paid for the parcel; and

**WHEREAS**, from time to time it is in the County's best interest to conduct such negotiations and make such written offers prior to the time that the Board of County Commissioners is scheduled to meet; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of County Commissioners finds that in such cases it is appropriate to delegate to the County Administrator, or his designee, within guidelines, the authority to conduct negotiations and make written offers to purchase such parcels, subject to the Board of County Commissioners approval; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of County Commissioners finds that limiting such authority to make written offers up to the amount specified in the appraisal, and requiring the concurrence of the County Attorney or his designee in the written offer, will provide adequate guidelines and safeguard Manatee County's interest.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, be it resolved as follows:

1. The Manatee County Board of County Commissioners hereby delegates its authority to make pre-suit offers pursuant to Florida Statute 73.015 to the County Administrator or his designee, subject to the approval of the Board of County Commissioners, for all parcels sought to be acquired as identified in Exhibit "A" attached hereto, said offers not to exceed the value determined for the respective parcels in the approved appraisal reports.

**DULY ADOPTED** with a quorum present and voting this 4th day of June, 2002.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
OF MANATEE COUNTY, FLORIDA

By: *Greg Stein*  
Chairman

ATTEST: R.B. SHORE  
Clerk of the Circuit Court



*Susan J. Pomine*