

**SUMTER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

**SUBJECT:** Consideration of Emergency Management returning to its statutory position with the Board of County Commissioners

**REQUESTED ACTION:** Provide Direction

Work Session (Report Only)    **DATE OF MEETING:** 6/21/2011  
 Regular Meeting                       Special Meeting

**CONTRACT:**  N/A    Vendor/Entity: \_\_\_\_\_  
Effective Date: \_\_\_\_\_                                      Termination Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Managing Division / Dept: \_\_\_\_\_

**BUDGET IMPACT:** N/A or ~\$150,000 savings in Transfer to Sheriff  
 Annual                      **FUNDING SOURCE:** General Fund  
 Capital                      **EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT:** Transfer to Sheriff  
 N/A

**HISTORY/FACTS/ISSUES:**

The BOCC has the statutory responsibility to provide Emergency Management Services. The BOCC in 2002 delegated that responsibility to the Sheriff's Office. On June 21, 2011, direction from the BOCC is requested to resume this responsibility directly. By doing so, 4 positions in the Sheriff's Office would be eliminated. It is proposed that the Fire & EMS Division under the proposed Deputy Chief Fire Marshal Position would provide the Emergency Management Services in conjunction with the addition of one position supported by emergency management grant funds as well as unified command staff from The Villages Public Safety Department. The purpose for the proposed change is to recognize that the Law Enforcement Emergency Service Function is overshadowed by the vast majority of the remaining Emergency Service Functions that are all directly managed by or contracted with the BOCC. The EOC would remain at its existing location. The coordination advantage is obvious and the financial savings are on the order of \$150,000 per year.

Direction is sought by the BOCC in the presence of the Sheriff at this workshop in order to conclude its consideration or not since it has budgetary implications as well as contractual implications as we finalize the contract with The Villages Center Community Development District (Villages Public Safety Department).