



AGENDA	
Section	Consent
Item No.	<i>II.B.4</i>

Meeting Date
May 17, 2016

**AGENDA REPORT**  
*BREVARD COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS*

SUBJECT:	Approval of \$150,000 to the Brevard County Veterans Memorial Center Museum expansion project.
DEPT/OFFICE:	Tourism Development Office

**Requested Action:**  
The Tourist Development Council (TDC) requests that the Board of County Commissioners approve \$150,000 to the Brevard County Veterans Memorial Center Museum expansion.

**Summary Explanation & Background:**  
The TDC Capital Facilities Committee at their April 20, 2016 and the TDC at their April 27, 2016 meeting unanimously recommended funding of \$150,000 for the Brevard County Veterans Memorial Center Museum expansion project.

The Brevard County Veterans Memorial Center's 6,000-square-foot building expansion was made possible because of a \$1.5 million grant from the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity. The project will feature the addition of a two-story military museum, an improved military library, enhanced facilities for the Disabled American Veteran support program and an upgraded and expanded Memorial Plaza.

The expansion will almost double the size of the existing facility and will become a beautiful landmark building for Brevard. The facility will continue to service the over 70,000 Brevard County Veterans at the support center.

The expanded building will have a three-story tower similar to coastal observation towers used along Florida's coast as lookouts for enemy ships during World War II. The current museum will be converted into the library housing volumes of war and military history books. The museum and plaza, with displays of aircraft, a tank, and monuments, is open daily and admission is free.

**Fiscal Impact** FY2015-16 \$150,000 in Capital Facilities Fund 1443 Restricted Capital Reserve.

Clerk to the Board Instructions:

Exhibits Attached:

<b>Contract /Agreement (If attached):</b>	<b>Reviewed by</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>No</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>PR</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>
County Attorney	Assistant County Manager, Frank Abbate	Department Director / Extension Eric Garvey, Executive Director 321-433-4470					
County Manager							
Stockton Whitten	Assistant County Manager, Venetta Valdengo						



May 18, 2016

MEMORANDUM

TO: Eric Garvey, Tourism Development Executive Director

RE: Item II.B.4., Approval of **\$150,000** to the Brevard County Veterans Memorial Center Museum Expansion

The Board of County Commissioners, in regular session on May 17, 2016, approved \$150,000 to the Brevard County Veterans Memorial Center Museum expansion; approved all budgetary documents to be approved by the Chairman for processing; and approved the transfer of the funding from Tourism Development to Parks and Recreation (Project Account-Fund 1700).

Your continued cooperation is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
SCOTT ELLIS, CLERK

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Tammy Rowe".

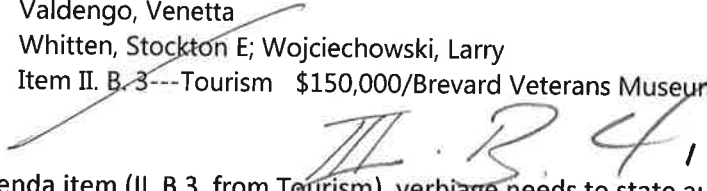
Tammy Rowe, Deputy Clerk

cc: Parks and Recreation Director  
Finance  
Budget

**Valdengo, Venetta**

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**From:** Masson, Jack  
**Sent:** Monday, May 16, 2016 10:25 AM  
**To:** Valdengo, Venetta  
**Cc:** Whitten, Stockton E; Wojciechowski, Larry  
**Subject:** Item II. B. 3---Tourism \$150,000/Brevard Veterans Museum Project



Venetta---After reviewing the agenda item (II. B 3. from Tourism), verbiage needs to state authorization from the Board to:

- To allow for all budgetary documents to be approved by the Chairman for processing.
- To allow for the transfer of the funding from Tourism to Parks (project account-Fund 1700).

Mr. Whitten would need to inform the Board of this requested action prior to Board approval.

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