

**Lee County Board of County Commissioners  
Agenda Item Summary**

Blue Sheet No. 20020575

**1. REQUESTED MOTION:**

**ACTION REQUESTED:** Request authorization to advertise for and conduct a public hearing on July 9, 2002, at 5:00 p.m., to consider the adoption of an Ordinance to enact a sales tax increase relating to indigent trauma care, subject to a referendum approval by a vote of the electorate on Tuesday, November 5, 2002.

**WHY ACTION IS NECESSARY:** The Board of County Commissioners' approval must be obtained for advertising and conducting of a public hearing prior to the adoption of an Ordinance placing a sales tax before the voters.

**WHAT ACTION ACCOMPLISHES:** Meets legal requirements so that the Board of County Commissioners may place the issue on the ballot for voter consideration.

**2. DEPARTMENTAL CATEGORY:**  
COMMISSION DISTRICT # CW

*A1A*

**3. MEETING DATE:**

*6-11-02*

**4. AGENDA:**

- CONSENT
- ADMINISTRATIVE
- APPEALS
- PUBLIC
- WALK ON
- TIME REQUIRED:

**5. REQUIREMENT/PURPOSE:**  
(Specify)

- STATUTE
- ORDINANCE
- ADMIN. CODE
- OTHER

**6. REQUESTOR OF INFORMATION:**

- A. COMMISSIONER
- B. DEPARTMENT County Administration
- C. DIVISION
- BY: Bruce Loucks, Assistant County Manager

**7. BACKGROUND:**

On June 3, 2002, the Board of County Commissioners, at its monthly Management and Planning Committee meeting, was scheduled to review alternatives for funding local trauma and emergency services at the request of Lee Memorial Health Systems and the Hospital Board. This agenda item was prepared prior to the June 3, 2002 Management and Planning meeting for scheduling purposes. If the Board of County Commissioners choose to pursue a referendum on a voter-approved Indigent Care Surtax (sales tax) at the Management and Planning meeting, then the public hearing must be authorized at this meeting so that sufficient advertising time is available to conduct the public hearing for the ballot question approval on July 9, 2002.

July 9, 2002 is the latest date that a public hearing can be held so that completed documents can be forwarded to the Supervisor of Elections in sufficient time to place the referendum on the November 5, 2002 ballot.

**8. MANAGEMENT RECOMMENDATIONS:**

Staff will follow the Board's direction.

**9. RECOMMENDED APPROVAL:**

A Department Director	B Purchasing or Contracts	C Human Resources	D Other	E County Attorney	F Budget Services	G County Manager
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	<i>Andrea Jones</i>	<i>OA 5/23</i> <i>QM 5/23/02</i> <i>RISK 5/23</i> <i>GC 5/21-02</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>

**10. COMMISSION ACTION:**

- APPROVED
- DENIED
- DEFERRED
- OTHER

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