



## Board of County Commissioners January 31, 2023 - Regular Meeting

### **SUBJECT**

Authorization to Reinstall the Confederate Memorial Monument to the Manatee County Historic Courthouse Lawn at 1115 Manatee Avenue West, Bradenton, Florida 34205 - District 3

### **Category**

REGULAR

### **Briefings**

None

### **Contact and/or Presenter Information**

- Tom Yarger, Construction Services Manager, Property Management, Extension 3003

### **Action Requested**

- Authorization for the County Administrator for Manatee County, or his designee, to reinstall the 1924 Confederate Memorial Monument to the Manatee County Historic Courthouse Lawn.

### **Enabling/Regulating Authority**

- Chapter 125 Florida Statutes, County Government

### **Background Discussion**

- On August 22, 2017, the Board of County Commissioners approved by a 4-3 vote to remove and relocate the 1924 Confederate Memorial Monument from the Courthouse lawn to a more suitable location based on the concerns for public safety.
- In 1924, the Juda P. Benjamin Chapter of the United Daughters of the Confederacy petition the Manatee County Board of Commissioners to erect a monument to commemorate confederate soldiers. On March 3, 1924, the Manatee County Board of Commissioners voted to allow the monument to be erected on the grounds of the county courthouse.
- The Memorial Monument existed for over 90 years on north lawn of the Historical Courthouse without controversy or conflict.
- This agenda item is to reinstall and erect the Memorial Monument back to North/East corner of the Historical Manatee County Courthouse lawn.

**Attorney Review**

Not Reviewed (No apparent legal issues)

**Reviewing Attorney****Instructions to Board Records**

Please email a copy of the approved agenda to:

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**Cost and Funds Source Account Number and Name**

N/A

**Amount and Frequency of Recurring Costs**

N/A