

Interoffice Memorandum

## AGENDA ITEM

August 3, 2018

TO:

Mayor Teresa Jacobs — AND — Board of County Commissioners

FROM:

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SUBJECT:

August 21, 2018 – Work Session Funding for Solar and Energy Loan Fund (SELF)

During the Board budget work session on July 17, 2018, Commissioner Emily Bonilla made a funding request for the FY 2018-19 budget to assist the St. Lucie County-based non-profit Solar and Energy Loan Fund (SELF) with staffing a local loan agent. This grant funding, totaling \$300,000, would be distributed over three years (\$100,000 per year) to assist in developing and managing a local loan program for SELF. Due to the complexity of the request, Mayor Jacobs asked staff to schedule a work session before final budget approval in early September.

The work session on August 21 will provide an overview of SELF, identify other jurisdictions that have contracted for these services, and provide an overview of existing County programs that fund or assist homeowners with improvements similar to SELF programs. We have also invited Mr. Doug Coward, Executive Director of SELF, to join in the presentation.

Staff is seeking Board direction on this item.

JVW/AM: am

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