Board of County Commissioners
Leon County, Florida

Policy No. 14-2

Title:	Criteria for the Placement of Fire Hydrants on Current Water Systems
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It shall be the policy of the Board of County Commissioners of Leon County, Florida, that a new policy, *"Criteria for the Placement of Fire Hydrants on Current Water Systems"* is hereby adopted, to wit:

Staff will request input from the following community partners regarding the location of possible new fire hydrants on current water systems in the unincorporated areas of the County:

- Tallahassee Fire Department
- Volunteer fire departments
- Talquin Electric Cooperative, Inc.
- City of Tallahassee Utilities
- Leon County Public Works
- Leon County Emergency Medical Services

The placement of new fire hydrants on current water systems, subject to annual allocation of funding, shall be evaluated based on the following selection criteria:

1. The water system infrastructure's ability to support hydrant placement and provide a minimum flow of 500 gallons of water per minute, while maintaining 20 pounds per square inch of residual pressure for an extended period.
2. The distance between the proposed new hydrant location and current hydrants already in place. Areas that lack current hydrant protection will be given priority.
3. Of the fire hydrants proposed, the higher priority will be given to hydrant locations that provide the greatest benefit (i.e. number of homes and businesses).
4. Geographic diversity of new hydrant placements.
5. The availability of other funding sources to support the hydrant installation.

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