

**CITY COUNCIL AGENDA STATEMENT**



**Meeting Date:** April 12, 2022  
**To:** Honorable Mayor and Council Members  
**From:** George Garrett, City Manager

**Agenda Item:** **Resolution 2022-35**, Approving The Boundaries Of A Grassy Key Mitigation Area, A Specific Mitigation Project Associated With The Valhalla Project, And That The City May Be A Co-Applicant On Applications To Carry Out The Valhalla Mitigation Project On Sites Associated With Crain’s Street, Crain’s Subdivision Of Grassy Key; And Providing For An Effective Date.

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**BACKGROUND**

The City of Marathon owns and/or manages approximately 320 conservation properties on Grassy Key. City staff has worked diligently to carry out restoration of the habitat on these properties, including the possibility of restoration through mitigation efforts. In the past, the City allowed the restoration of a easterly section of Crain’s Street as part of a mitigation project associated with the additional development at the Fairfield (previously Holiday Inn Express). Because the City is the owner of that street, the City was a co-applicant on the applications to allow that mitigation project.

The City has been working with the owners of the Valhalla project to carry out required mitigation efforts for their development. The proposed areas of the mitigation will also be the Crain’s Street area.

City staff is seeking approval of a conservation, restoration, mitigation boundary for such projects associated only with properties owned or managed by the City. In addition, Sity staff is seeking approval to sign applications associated with the proposed mitigation projects associated with the Valhalla project to the extent that the mitigation will be carried out on properties owned or managed by the City.

**CONSISTENCY CHECKLIST:**

|                               | <b>Yes</b>    | <b>No</b>     |
|-------------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| 1. Comprehensive Plan         | <u>  X  </u>  | <u>      </u> |
| 2. Other – 2010 Sewer Mandate | <u>      </u> | <u>  X  </u>  |

**FISCAL NOTE:**

NA

**APPROVED BY FINANCE DIRECTOR:**

NA

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Approval

**CITY OF MARATHON, FLORIDA  
RESOLUTION 2022-35**

**RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF MARATHON, FLORIDA APPROVING THE BOUNDARIES OF A GRASSY KEY MITIGATION AREA, A SPECIFIC MITIGATION PROJECT ASSOCIATED WITH THE VALHALLA PROJECT, AND THAT THE CITY MAY BE A CO-APPLICANT ON APPLICATIONS TO CARRY OUT THE VALHALLA MITIGATION PROJECT ON SITES ASSOCIATED WITH CRAIN'S STREET, CRAIN'S SUBDIVISION OF GRASSY KEY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Marathon owns and/or manages approximately 320 conservation properties on Grassy Key; and

**WHEREAS**, City staff has worked diligently to carry out restoration of the habitat on these properties, including the possibility of restoration through mitigation efforts; and

**WHEREAS**, in the past, the City allowed the restoration of a easterly section of Crain's Street as part of a mitigation project associated with the additional development at the Fairfield (previously Holiday Inn Express). Because the City is the owner of that street, the City was a co-applicant on the applications to allow that mitigation project; and

**WHEREAS**, the City has been working with the owners of the Valhalla project to carry out required mitigation efforts for their development. The proposed areas of the mitigation will also be the Crain's Street area.

**WHEREAS**, City staff is seeking approval of a conservation, restoration, mitigation boundary for such projects associated only with properties owned or managed by the City. In addition, City staff is seeking approval to sign applications associated with the proposed mitigation projects associated with the Valhalla project to the extent that the mitigation will be carried out on properties owned or managed by the City,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MARATHON, FLORIDA, THAT:**

**Section 1.** The above recitals are true and correct and incorporated herein.

**Section 2.** The City Council approves the conservation, restoration, mitigation boundary for restoration projects associated only with properties owned or managed by the City (Exhibit "A").

City staff is authorized to sign applications associated with the proposed mitigation projects associated with the Valhalla project to the extent that the mitigation will be carried out on properties owned or managed by the City (Exhibit "B").

**Section 3.** This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon the signature of both parties.

**PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MARATHON, FLORIDA, THIS 12TH DAY OF APRIL, 2022.**

**THE CITY OF MARATHON, FLORIDA**

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**John Bartus, Mayor**

AYES:  
NOES:  
ABSENT:  
ABSTAIN:

**ATTEST:**

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Diane Clavier, City Clerk

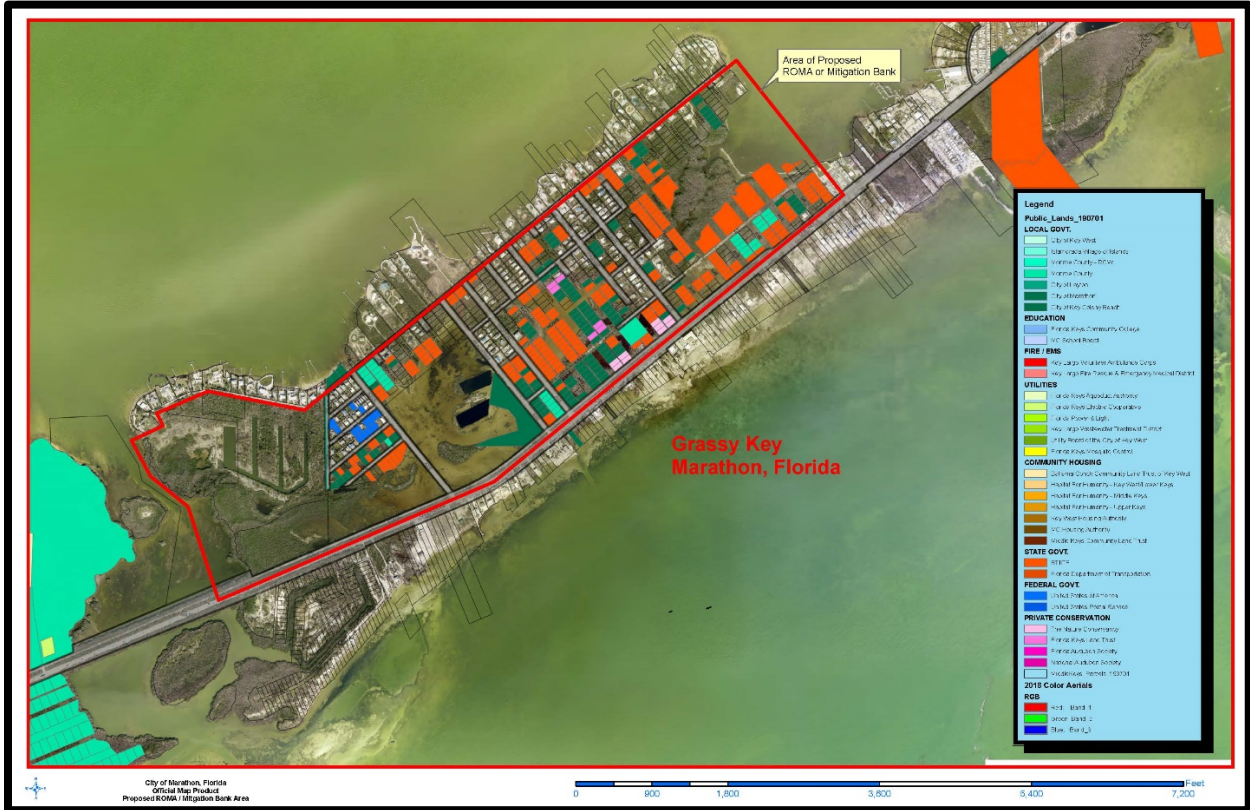
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**APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY FOR THE USE AND RELIANCE OF THE CITY OF MARATHON, FLORIDA ONLY:**

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Steve Williams, City Attorney

# EXHIBIT A



## EXHIBIT B

