

MEMORANDUM
Grants Department



MEETING DATE: September 12, 2023
TO: Honorable Mayor and City Councilmembers
FROM: Maria Covelli, Grants Coordinator
THROUGH: George Garrett, City Manager
SUBJECT: Grants Report

The Grants Department provides an update to the City Council monthly. The following is provided as an update for Grant Department activities. *Amounts in (\$\$) are grant amounts, not necessarily project totals.

ACTIVE GRANTS STATUS – Received since last meeting – Updates

WWTP Work - CDBG-MIT Infrastructure Unmet Needs – Florida Commerce (formerly DEO) (\$6,259,423.00)

- Received Commerce approval for area 6 flood wall bid documents
- Received Commerce approval for Power Conditioning bid documents

Hazard Mitigation Grant Generators – DEM (\$129,459.56) – completion date ~~12/31/22~~ req. extension

- Requested budget increase to cover actual costs – DEM reviewing
- Requested project deadline extension from DEM - reviewing
- Marina Unit install underway – expected completion end of July
- Working with MFG to get FD unit in a timely manner
- Permits Issued

FDOT Transportation Alternatives Program (FY 27-28)

- Waiting on grant agreements from FDOT
- Received breakout from FDOT timeline/budget: Design 2026; Construction 2028
- Awaiting grant agreements from FDOT
 - Aviation Blvd Lighting (\$1,000,000)
 - Mitigate Sombrero Beach Rd sidewalk flooding at curve (\$333,288)

CDBG-DR Voluntary Home Buyout Program – DEO (\$2,600,000)

- Program Status (5) properties in program:
 - Demo, fill and sod completed on all (5) properties.
 - Project Closeout in process

FCT Parks and Open Space (2018 grant program) – (1,488,000)

- Salty's/7 Mile Marina
 - Received executed grant agreement from FCT
 - Submitted due diligence documents as required by FCT
 - Creating a management plan for the site as required by FCT
- FCT Required appraisals complete; Submitted to FCT
- Environmental Assessment Phase I completed
- PW Preparing RFQ for project services

FCT Parks and Open Space (2018 grant program) – (\$844,800)

- Quay Project
 - Received fully executed grant agreement
 - Gathering due diligence documents as required by FCT
 - Submitted partial due diligence – gathering balance
 - Creating a management plan for the site as required by FCT
- FCT required appraisals complete; Submitted to FCT
- Environmental Assessment Phase I completed
- PW Preparing RFQ for project services

TDC FY 2023 Capital Funding

- Quay restroom project (\$245,000) – completion date by 3/31/2024
 - CMAR working on bid docs
 - Received fully executed agreement
 - Bids received for Contractor at Risk
- Beach Raking and Maintenance (Coco Plum & Sombrero) (\$203,050) – completion date 9/30/2025
 - Received fully executed agreement
 - Work underway

FL Recreation Development Assist Program 23/24 (FRDAP)

- Resurface Tennis Courts at Community Park (\$108,750)
 - Submitted revised budget per requirements.
 - Waiting for grant agreement from FDEP
- Resurface Basketball Courts/Add Pickleball Courts at Community Park (\$92,212)
 - Submitted revised budget per requirements.
 - Waiting for grant agreement from FDEP

FDOT Transportation Assistance – \$250,000 FY25 grant

- Waiting for grant agreement from FDOT
- Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan
 - Presented project at FDOT Distt meeting.

Tourist Development Council FY24 Capital Improvement- Received full funding for both

- Received full funding for both. Projects can start after the 10/18 BOCC Meeting and Contract Approval.
 - New Parking Lot at Coco Plum Beach (\$119,000)
 - Grant Agreement on Sept Agenda for Approval
 - Replace Playground Equipment at Sombrero Beach Park (\$245,250)
 - Grant Agreement on Sept Agenda for Approval

FDEM – Hazard Mitigation Grant Watershed Master Plan – (\$187,068.75 of \$249,425 project – balance (match) coming from \$240,000 Coastal Resilience Grant)

- Grant signed over to Monroe County for administration.
- As approved at April’s meeting, the City is assigning this grant to the County for management.
 - Will ensure continuity of data with the County and other municipalities.

FDEP Coastal Resilience Grant (\$240,000)

- Grant signed over to Monroe County for administration
- To create a citywide vulnerability assessment for sea level rise
- Because we are using this grant as a match for the Watershed Master Plan grant, the State requires us to sign this grant over to the County for administration as well.

GRANT APPLICATIONS SUBMITTED - Submitted since last meeting – Updates

Under Evaluation - CDBG-Small Cities Grant Program – Submitted 5/5/2023

- **Neighborhood Revitalization 41st/42nd**
 - Phase I Mitigate Flooding at Jessie Hobbs Park (\$350,000)
 - Phase II Mitigate the blight at the end of 41st to create a waterside picnic area.
- Received the list of self-scores, this project falls right in the middle, at this time.
- FL Commerce is “reviewing applications”. (emailed for update with no reply as of the writing of this report)

Under Evaluation - Assistance to Firefighters Grant – (\$1,857,978.00) – Submitted 3/16/2023

- They are beginning to announce awards now although it’s an ongoing process that goes through November. (emailed for update – “application in good standing, FEMA is still actively making grant awards weekly”)
- Financial Assistance for (9) new positions for 3 years

Under Evaluation - Community Planning Technical Assistance Grants - Submitted 6/14/2023

- Create a City Parks Master Plan (including 7 Mile Corridor) (\$60,000)
- Update Stormwater Master Plan (\$50,000)

Under Evaluation - DOT Safer Streets 4 All Grant Program – (\$240,000) - submitted 7/10/2023

- Create a Complete Streets Program.
 - Replied to request for additional information, we are still in the evaluation process

Resilient Florida Grant Program - Submitted 9/1/2023

- Raise 92nd Street – (\$800,000)
- Mitigation Measures on Sombrero Blvd. – (est 1.5m)

Hazard Mitigation Grant Program for Ian (\$800,000) – Submitted 8/29/2023

- Raising 92nd Street – (\$800,000)

GRANT APPLICATIONS IN PROCESS - New since last meeting

Tourist Development Council FY24 Capital Improvement – 2nd Round – Due 9/19/23

- Construction Information and Security Station at Sombrero Beach – *working on budget*
- Installation of Events Tiki at Oceanfront Park – (\$200,000)

Coastal Partnership Initiative – Opens Fall 2023

- Elevate Generator Switch at City Hall
- Kayak Launch at the Quay

Stan Mayfield Working Waterfronts – FY23/24 Opens October 1st – due Nov 1st

- Finger Docks at 7 Mile Marina

Florida Recreational Trails Program – next cycle TBA (usually 1st part of year)

- Complete Bike Trail on Coco Plum (Budget in process)
- Grassy Key Birding Boardwalk Trail Construction (when planning is complete)

House Appropriations Project Funding Requests

- Solar Parking Structures at City Hall

COMPLETED GRANTS - *New since last meeting* - *Updates*

GRANTS NOT RECEIVED - *New since last meeting*

Not Received - T-Mobile Hometown Grant - Submitted 6/21/2023

- Only 25 Nationwide grants awarded each quarter
- Submitted for (2) monitoring devices to help reduce illegal dumping around the City. (\$15,000)

POTENTIAL GRANT APPLICATIONS - *New since last meeting*

FEMA Assistance to Firefighters Grant – dates TBA (usually 1st part of year)

Florida Boating Improvement Program (FBIP)- Opens February 24, 2024