

MEMORANDUM
Grants Department



MEETING DATE: October 10, 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 as of the date of submission.

**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)

- Projects out for bid
 - 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
- MFG moved Fire Department delivery out to the end of May 2024
 - Requested project deadline extension from DEM - reviewing
- Marina Unit install complete
- Per MFG – Fire Dept Unit cannot be expedited
- Permits Issued

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 balance of due diligence documentation
 - Submitted Management Plan to FCT for approval

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

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)
 - Waiting for BOCC to sign grant agreement.
 - Grant Agreement on Sept Agenda for Approval
 - Replace Playground Equipment at Sombrero Beach Park (\$245,250)
 - Waiting for BOCC to sign grant agreement.
 - Grant Agreement on Sept Agenda for Approval

FDOT Transportation Assistance – \$250,000 FY25 grant

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

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)

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.

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

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: applications are still in review)

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
 - Planning and Demonstration Grant award decisions are expected to be announced in October 202

Under Evaluation - Resilient Florida Grant Program - Submitted 9/1/2023

- Raise 92nd Street – (\$800,000)
 - SLIP Study approved – on to next review
- Mitigation Measures on Sombrero Blvd. – (est 1.5m)

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

- Raising 92nd Street – (\$800,000)

House Appropriations Project Funding Requests – Submitting 9/28/2023

- Solar Parking Structures at City Hall

Coastal Partnership Initiative – Submitting 10/2/2023

- Elevate Generator Switch at City Hall
- Kayak Launch at the Quay (potentially)

GRANT APPLICATIONS IN PROCESS - *New since last meeting*

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)

FCT Parks and Open Spaces – opens Jan 2024

- Apply for parks and opens spaces land acquisition.

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

GRANTS NOT RECEIVED - *New since last meeting*

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

- Did not receive – they only awarded 6 in the State of Florida
 - Waiting on feedback to improve next submission
- 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

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

- Did not receive.
- Installation of Events Tiki at Oceanfront Park – (\$200,000)
 - Submitted 9/15/2023

POTENTIAL GRANT APPLICATIONS - *New since last meeting*

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

SAFER – dates TBA – (usually 1st part of the year)

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