



## COUNCIL AGENDA STATEMENT

Meeting May 13, 2025

To: Honorable Mayor and City Councilmembers

From: Carlos A. Solis, P.E., Director of Public Works Engineering

Through: George Garrett, City Manager

Agenda Item: **Resolution 2025-47**, Approving a Design Build Contract with Platform Group, LLC via a Piggy-Back Contract with the City of Ocala for the Construction of A New Skate Park and Associated Improvements in the Amount Not To Exceed \$1,265,800.00; Authorizing The City Manager To Execute A Contract And Expend and Appropriate Funds; And Providing For An Effective Date.

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### BACKGROUND & JUSTIFICATION:

The City has long planned on replacing the aging Skate Park at Community Park. The City has worked with local groups and charities to develop a concept and received input from the public in developing a plan. Platform Group, LLC has been working with the group to develop the concept, and the City wishes to Piggy-Back the contract the City of Ocala has with Platform Group for a Design-Build contract for the development. The City had previously committed budgeted funds in the amount of \$825,000, \$300,000 in the current budget year, and \$525,000 in the next budget year for this project, and now wishes to develop the project within this budget year. Since the budget was developed, the scope has been modified to enhance the park area by providing additional parking, improving circulation, and site work preparation for a splash pad.

The total anticipated cost of the project is \$1,531,040.00. The City's anticipated cost is \$1,265,800, which includes a contingency fund of \$110,000.00 for modification to the park entrance and other potential improvements to accommodate the Splash Pad.

The total cost of the project exceeds the City's budget, however, additional cost for the project would be funded by the Florida Keys Community Center, a local non-profit through the United Way at a minimum amount of \$265,240.00. Any additional cost, excluding the fore-mentioned site modifications requested by the City, would be covered by Florida Keys Community Center.

The City has investigated the background of Platform Group, LLC and determined that they are one of the premier developers of Skate Parks facilities and determined that the procurement process by the City of Ocala meets all requirements of the process. As such, staff recommend that the Design-Build Contract between the City and Platform Group be approved.

### CONSISTENCY CHECKLIST:

Yes No

1. Comprehensive Plan

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### FISCAL NOTE:

The FY25 Adopted Capital Infrastructure Fund Budget includes \$300,000 for this project, approval will appropriate the additional funds needed for this project.

RECOMMENDATION: Council approve Resolution

**CITY OF MARATHON, FLORIDA  
RESOLUTION 2025-47**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MARATHON, FLORIDA, APPROVING A DESIGN BUILD CONTRACT WITH PLATFORM GROUP, LLC VIA A PIGGY-BACK CONTRACT WITH THE CITY OF OCALA FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW SKATE PARK AND ASSOCIATED IMPROVEMENTS IN THE AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$1,095,000; AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT AND EXPEND BUDGETED FUNDS AND APPROPRIATE ADDITIONAL BUDGET FUNDS; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Ordinance 2015-14, the City Council of the City of Marathon, Florida (the “City”), adopted Purchasing Policies and Procedures after determining that it was fiscally prudent and in the best interests of the City’s residents for the City to adopt policies and procedures for City employees and officials regarding the purchasing and acquisition of contractual services, equipment, goods, professional services and other similar types of services; and

**WHEREAS**, in accordance with Section 2-184(3), the City may waive competitive bidding procedures to made under state general service administration contracts, federal, county or other governmental contracts or competitive bids with other governmental agencies with a substantially similar competitive bidding process (a “Piggy-Back” Agreement); and

**WHEREAS**, the City requires expedited completion of construction of a new skate park and associated improvements in a total amount not to exceed \$1,530,540.00; and

**WHEREAS**, a portion of this maximum amount is to be provided by the Florida Keys Community Center; and

**WHEREAS**, the maximum cost the City is responsible for under this contract is \$1,265,300.00; and

**WHEREAS**, the City desires to engage Platform Group LLC. (“Contractor”) for such services to the City of Marathon via a piggyback contract with the City of Ocala, Florida.

**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 hereby approves a “Piggy-Back” Agreement between the City of Marathon, Florida and the Contractor. The Contract between the City and Contractor for design-build construction of the skate park in an amount not to exceed \$1,265,300.00 ; a copy of which is attached as Exhibit “A,” together with such non-material changes as may be acceptable to

the City Manager and approved as to form by the City Attorney, is hereby approved.

**Section 3.** The City Manager is authorized to execute the Contract and Expend and Appropriate Funds In The Amount Of \$965,800.00 on behalf of the City.

**Section 4.** This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

**PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MARATHON, FLORIDA, THIS 13<sup>th</sup> DAY OF MAY, 2025**

**THE CITY OF MARATHON, FLORIDA**

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**Lynn Landry, Mayor**

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

**ATTEST:**

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Diane Clavier, City Clerk

(City Seal)

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

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Steven Williams, City Attorney

Exhibit A is available in the Clerk's office and can be sent electronically.