

**MEMORANDUM
Grants Department**



MEETING DATE: August 27, 2024
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)***

- Mobilization and active construction began on Power Conditioning & Surge Protection project.
- Vacuum System Monitoring & Pump Upgrades are at 70% design, bid docs in process of being created.
- Flood Wall project has been value engineered and we are submitting a request for grant increase to FL Commerce to help cover the additional cost.

Hazard Mitigation Grant Generators – DEM (\$370,260.75) – completion date 09/04/2024

- Fire Station Generator has been installed
 - They are currently working to replace fuel lines
- Received **budget increase** of grant award to \$370,260.75 to cover the unexpected rising cost of the project (an increase of \$240,801.19)
- Received project deadline extension from DEM to 9/4/24
- Marina Unit installation complete.
- Permits Issued

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

- Salty's/7 Mile Marina
 - Submitted Management Plan for FCT review
 - Submitted due diligence documents as required by FCT.
- FCT Required appraisals complete; Submitted to FCT
- Environmental Assessment Phase I completed.
- PW Preparing RFQ for project services.

FL Recreation Development Assist Program 23/24 (FRDAP)

- Resurface Basketball Courts/Add Pickleball Courts at Community Park (\$92,212)
 - Out for bid – back 8/9

FDOT Transportation Alternatives – Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan \$250,000 FY25 grant

- Waiting for grant agreement from FDOT
 - Grant contract in process
- Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan
 - Presented project at FDOT Dist. meeting.

TDC FY 2023 Capital Funding

- Quay restroom project (\$245,000) – completion date by 9/30/2024-requested 12/31/24
 - Bids due 8/13/2024
 - Received grant extension to 12/31/2024
 - Schematics are completed.
 - In process of finalizing costs for approval
- Beach Raking and Maintenance (Coco Plum & Sombrero) (\$203,050) – completion date 9/30/2025
 - Grant fully expended – will request increase next funding round
 - Received fully executed agreement.
 - Work underway.

TDC FY24 Capital Improvement – Coco Plum Beach Parking Lot

- New Parking Lot at Coco Plum Beach (\$119,000) – Completion Date 9/30/2024
 - Bid awarded to Discount Rock and Sand – project to be completed by 9/20/2024
 - Out for bid

FDOT Transportation Alternatives Program – Aviation Lighting and Sombrero Rd MIT (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)

- Data gathering in process
- 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 Vulnerability Plan (\$240,000)

- Data gathering in process
- WSP presented information at April’s Council Workshop
- 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.

DOT Safer Streets 4 All Grant Program – (\$240,000)

- Create a Complete Streets Program.
 - Received fully executed grant agreement
 - Project out for bid
 - Received bids – currently being scored.
 - Completed and submitted FHWA Required Checklist

Tourist Development Council FY24 Capital Improvement DAC III Round 3 Events Tiki at Oceanfront Park (\$201,495)

- Events Tiki at Oceanfront Park
 - Tiki out for bid
 - Received fully executed agreement from TDC
 - PW getting bid package ready to go out

House/Senate Appropriations Project Funding Request (\$150,000)

- Purchase of Rescue Boat with Fire Capabilities

TDC FY25 Bricks and Mortar – Capital – start date for all - 10/16/2024

- Information and Security Station at Sombrero Beach (\$150,000)
- Resurface Tennis Courts at Community Park (\$60,000)
 - Out for bid
- Reconstruct Finger Piers and Electronic Sign at 7-Mile Marina (\$502,700)

GRANT APPLICATIONS SUBMITTED - Submitted since last meeting – Updates

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.
- In Review
 - Have emailed and left messages for updates – no awards announced yet

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

- Raising 92nd Street – (\$800,000)
- Submitted additional historical data for flooding at this location
- FDEM Engineering has approved budget
 - Next step is to send to FEMA for review (expected to be to FEMA by 12/1/24)
- Provided State requested additional pre-award documentation and information

Department of Transportation – Transportation Alternatives Program – Submitted 12/6/2023 Funding Cycle 2030

- Complete Coco Plum Multi-Use Trail and add Lighting
 - Presented the Projects to FDOT on 1/11/24
- Lighting for Existing Coco Plum Multi-Use Trail
 - Presented the Projects to FDOT on 1/11/24
- Emailed for update

Assistance to Firefighters – Submitted 3/8/24 (\$96,000)

- 30 new radios and accessories
 - Announcements have started and will run through the end of the year.

SAFER Grant – \$2,951,468.37 – Submitted 4/12/24

- Additional Personnel Marathon Fire Rescue
 - Submitting costs for (9) personnel for (3) years.
 - Usually begin announcing awards in September

GRANT APPLICATIONS IN PROCESS - New since last meeting

FHWA EV Charging Infrastructure – In conjunction with Monroe County, Islamorada, and KW Submitting for second consideration Round 1 as well as submitting to Round 2 funding to have EV chargers placed in strategic locations along the US Corridor throughout Monroe County. Total Cost \$4M split between applicants

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)
- 7 Mile Corridor

Resilient Florida – due Sept 1

- Sombrero Blvd flooding mitigation project
- 92nd Street flooding mitigation (as backup in case the HMGP doesn't go through)
- City Marina Seawall Restoration project

FDOT Transportation Alternatives – opening TBA

- Sidewalk and Lighting on Sombrero Blvd

Florida Keys Stewardship Grant – due 8/31/24

- Deep Well project
- Area 3 Expansion project

TRAIL-GO Local Trail Management Grant – due 8/31/2024

- Purchase of picnic tables, grills, bike racks, water fountains, signage, etc for Sombrero Beach Park, Oceanfront Park and Community Park - (**\$146,590**)
- Purchase equipment for maintenance of medians, foliage, etc.- (**\$250,000**)

FDOT Beautification Grant – drafts due 8/14 – Final due 10/1 (\$120,000)

- Plantings along US 1

COMPLETED GRANTS - *New since last meeting* - Updates

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

- Program Status (5) properties in program:
 - Commerce Approved Closeout Documents
 - Submitted and received final reimbursement
 - Waiting for Commerce to officially close out the file.

GRANTS NOT RECEIVED - *New since last meeting*

House/Senate Appropriations Project Funding Requests – (\$332,500) Submitted 9/28/2023

- Solar Parking Structures at City Hall
 - Did not receive – will resubmit to this and other opportunities

Monroe County Arts Council – Art Builds Community Grant (\$10,000)

- Contract with artist to provide historic prints for City Hall main hallway

CANCELLED GRANTS – *New since last meeting*

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

- Quay Project
- Received Termination of Grant Letter from FCT
 - Council voted to add boat ramps at this property
 - Notified FCT about this change and am waiting on direction.