

MEMORANDUM
Grants Department



MEETING DATE: March 25, 2025
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)

- Requested funding increase for the flood wall to cover the cost of inflated materials.
- Mobilization and active construction began on Power Conditioning & Surge Protection project – construction at 21%.
- 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 have submitted a request for grant increase to FL Commerce to help cover the additional cost
 - Did not receive grant increase, we are removing the flood wall from the scope of work and are rolling over the funds into the Vacuum Monitoring Systems upgrades

Hazard Mitigation Grant Generators – DEM (\$370,260.75) – completion date 03/31/2025

- Received project deadline extension from DEM to 3/31/2025
- Fire Station Generator has been installed
 - They are currently working to replace pump needed for 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)
- 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
 - **Received comments back from FCT to update review and resubmit**
 - Submitted due diligence documents as required by FCT.
- FCT Required appraisals complete; Submitted to FCT
- Environmental Assessment Phase I completed.
- Put out request for quotes for Tier II EA as required by FCT
- PW Preparing RFQ for project services.

COMPLETE FL Recreation Development Assist Program 23/24 (FRDAP)

- Resurface Basketball Courts/Add Pickleball Courts at Community Park (\$92,212)
 - Awarded to McCourt Construction.
 - Contract sent to contractor for execution
 - Fence demolition to be completed on 1/20, Resurface to start after fence demo
 - Project Complete – Contractor is working on punch list and we are waiting for final billing to submit for reimbursement.

TDC FY25 Bricks and Mortar – Capital

- Information and Security Station at Sombrero Beach (\$150,000)
 - Coordinating with TDC for extension to FY26 for completion
 - Meeting with engineer to layout project
 - Project is in early design stages
- **COMPLETE** Resurface Tennis Courts at Community Park (\$60,000)
 - Bids received – awarded to McCourt – contract in process
 - Resurfacing scheduled to begin 1/13/2025 and run 8-10 days
 - Project Complete – Contractor is work on punch list and we are waiting for final billing to submit for reimbursement
- Reconstruct Finger Piers and Electronic Sign at 7-Mile Marina (\$502,700)
 - Coordinating with TDC for extension to FY26 for completion
 - Project planning in process

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 9/30/2025
 - Walk thru completed / Punch list to be completed as noted
 - **Construction has begun!!!!**
 - Awarded to Pedro Falcon
 - Received grant extension to 09/30/2025
 - Schematics are completed.
 - In process of finalizing costs for approval
- Beach Raking and Maintenance (Coco Plum & Sombrero) (\$203,050) – completion date 9/30/2025
 - Received fully executed agreement.
 - Work underway.

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 2024 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 - Stantec awarded – working on contract
 - 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 is being erected – expected completion end of March
 - Received fully executed agreement from TDC
 - PW getting bid package ready to go out

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

- Fire/Rescue is checking out different boats.
- Purchase of Rescue Boat with Fire Capabilities

HMGP (FEMA) (\$48,984.88 award amt)

- Raise 92nd Street Phase I – Design and Engineering
 - Received grant for design and engineering
 - Awaiting the grant contract

RECEIVED - FDOT Beautification Grant – (\$112,000)

- Design underway
- Plant along the Overseas Heritage Trail along airport
- Met with Landscape Architect to walk the project

RECEIVED FY30 Department of Transportation – Transportation Alternatives Program – Funding Cycle 2030

- Complete Coco Plum Multi-Use Trail and add Lighting (\$1M)
 - Wtg on Grant Documents
- Lighting for Existing Coco Plum Multi-Use Trail (\$1M)
 - Wtg on Grant Documents

RECEIVING - FDEP Resilient Florida (25/26) – Sombrero Blvd Drainage Improvements (\$1,207,685)

- Scheduled in Statewide Plan for Year 1
- Wtg on Grant Contract

RECEIVING - FDEP Resilient Florida (25/26) – Area 6 WWTP Flood Wall (\$1,749,812)

- Scheduled in Statewide Plan for Year 2
- Wtg on Grant Contract

RECEIVING - FDEP Resilient Florida – 92nd Street Improvements (\$567,500)

- Scheduled in Statewide Plan for Year 3
- Wtg on Grant Contract

Florida Keys Stewardship Grant

- Deep Well project

GRANT APPLICATIONS SUBMITTED - Submitted since last meeting – Updates

Resilient Florida – multiple applications – submitted 8/30/2024

- Raise 92nd Street (\$567,500) – on the HMGP – [see above](#)
- Marina Seawall Replacement (\$1,855,000)
- Area 6 Floodwall (\$1,748,812) – [see above](#)

FL Recreation Development Assist Program 24/25 (FRDAP) - two applications – submitted 9/24/2024

- Raise Jessie Hobbs to Mitigate for flooding (\$200,000)
- Install Pickleball Courts at Oceanfront Park (\$108,746)

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

- RECEIVED FUNDING FOR PHASE I – DESIGN AND ENGINEERING
- 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

Assistance to Firefighters – Submitted 12/13/2024 (\$126,000)

- 30 new radios and accessories

Hurricane Loss Mitigation Program (HLMP) – Raise Jessie Hobbs Flooding Mitigation

- Letter of Intent Submitted 1/29/2025

HMGP – Watershed Planning Program – Update Stormwater Master Plan (\$270k)

- Submitted 1/31/2025

GRANT APPLICATIONS IN PROCESS - New since last meeting

Boating Improvement Funds – Channel Signage at 7 Mile Marina (\$40k) – Due April 1st

- Channel Markers and Buoys for 7-Mile Marina Channels

Tourist Development Council Capital Projects – Due April 22, 2025

- Beach Renourishment – Sombrero Beach (\$500k)
- Beach Maintenance (3 year contract)
- Pickleball Courts at Oceanfront (appx \$300k for 4 courts)
- Upgrades to Oceanfront Dog Area (under \$19,999)
- New Backboards for Community Park Basketball Courts (under \$19,999)

CDBG Small Cities Grant – Raise Jessie Hobbs Flooding Mitigation

- Requested application and information

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

FDOT Transportation Alternatives – opening TBA

- Sidewalk and Lighting on Sombrero Blvd

SAFER Grant – \$TBD – Opening TBD (generally sometime in March)

- Met with MFR to discuss data needed for grant app when it opens.
- Currently reviewing last year’s app and updating information.
- Additional Personnel Marathon Fire Rescue
 - Submitting costs for (9) personnel for (3) years.

COMPLETED GRANTS - New since last meeting - Updates

GRANTS NOT RECEIVED - New since last meeting

CANCELLED GRANTS – New since last meeting