



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2023-2024

LFIR # 1336

1. **Project Title**
2. **Senate Sponsor**
3. **Date of Request**

4. Project/Program Description

The City of Stuart City Commission formally adopted (at a public hearing) a new Stormwater Master Plan (2022) update that includes a series of critical improvements to its water basins that will protect life and property, improve the conveyance of water, mitigate sea level rise and flooding impacts, and enhance water quality to stormwater runoff into the St. Lucie River. The project within the City's Woods Point Basin will improve both stormwater conveyance and surface water quality as stormwater will flow through a managed storage and treatment system, then through a pipe system to an outfall discharge with a control structure that will prevent sea level rise from flooding back onto the upland properties and the destruction of grasses and vegetation from salt/brackish water intrusion. The Water Quality Treatment System will also provide treatment and storage in the exfiltration and swale areas, improving quality of stormwater runoff.

5. **State Agency to receive requested funds**
- State Agency contacted?** Yes

6. Amount of the Nonrecurring Request for Fiscal Year 2023-2024

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	0
Fixed Capital Outlay	500,000
Total State Funds Requested	500,000

7. Total Project Cost for Fiscal Year 2023-2024 (including matching funds available for this project)

Type of Funding	Amount	Percentage
Total State Funds Requested (from question #6)	500,000	50%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	500,000	50%
Other	0	0%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2023-2024	1,000,000	100%

8. **Has this project previously received state funding?** No

Fiscal Year (YYYY-YY)	Amount		Specific Appropriation #	Vetoed
	Recurring	Nonrecurring		

9. **Is future funding likely to be requested?** No
- a. **If yes, indicate nonrecurring amount per year.**

b. **Describe the source of funding that can be used in lieu of state funding.**

10. **Has the entity requesting this project received any federal assistance related to the COVID-19 pandemic?**



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Yes

If yes, indicate the amount of funds received and what the funds were used for.

The City of Stuart (to date) received \$8,132,360 from the State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds as part of the American Rescue Plan Act. Funds have been used to offset dollars spent on emergency response and overtime for personnel, Alternative Water Supply infrastructure, water/sewer infrastructure, law enforcement response to violent crimes and gun violence, community nonprofit support, dispatch and police officer equipment, streetscape improvements, and stormwater projects.

Complete questions 11 and 12 for Fixed Capital Outlay Projects

11. Status of Construction

a. What is the current phase of the project?

Planning
 Design
 Construction

b. Is the project "shovel ready" (i.e permitted)?

c. What is the estimated start date of construction?

d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

12. List the owners of the facility to receive, directly or indirectly, any fixed capital outlay funding. Include the relationship between the owners of the facility and the entity.

Facilities are publicly owned (municipal) streets and roadway infrastructure - stormwater improvements. The City has currently budgeted fixed capital outlay costs of the project in its FY 2023 budget - which would cover local match of any state appropriation approved.

13. Details on how the requested state funds will be expended

Spending Category	Description	Amount
Administrative Costs:		
Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits		0
Other Salary and Benefits		0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
Operational Costs: Other		
Salary and Benefits		0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering	State awarded funding would be applied to general construction costs of stormwater improvements within the identified municipal Basin. Local match may be applied to all costs and funding categories, but this is not an operational appropriation request - limited to construction, engineering, and design.	500,000



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Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)	500,000
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14. Program Performance

a. What specific purpose or goal will be achieved by the funds requested?

The project will improve both stormwater conveyance and surface water quality as stormwater will flow through a managed storage and treatment system, then through a pipe system to an outfall discharge with a control structure that will prevent sea level rise from flooding back onto the upland properties and the destruction of grasses and vegetation from salt/brackish water intrusion. The Water Quality Treatment System will also provide treatment and storage in the exfiltration and swale areas.

b. What activities and services will be provided to meet the intended purpose of these funds?

The City will solicit by bid a contract for construction of the stormwater improvements detailed in its new Stormwater Master Plan for the Woods Point Basin. Project is shovel-ready and will begin construction once funded and approved / commissioned.

c. What direct services will be provided to citizens by the appropriation project?

Project appropriation request is for fixed capital outlay and will not provide direct services beyond improvement to existing services. Some residential homeowners may be more directly affected than others by improvements to stormwater basin, but the capital improvements are systemic in nature.

d. Who is the target population served by this project? How many individuals are expected to be served?

The Woods Point Basin is comprised primarily of waterfront residential parcels with additional homes adjacent and in a contiguous area. The City has a population of more than 17,000 and stormwater improvements benefit all, but especially the homeowners in the immediate area of the improvements.

e. What is the expected benefit or outcome of this project? What is the methodology by which this outcome will be measured?

The project will improve both stormwater conveyance as stormwater will flow through a managed storage and treatment system, then through a pipe system to an outfall discharge with a control structure that will prevent sea level rise from flooding back onto the upland properties and the destruction of grasses and vegetation from salt/brackish water intrusion. The Water Quality Treatment System will provide treatment and storage in the exfiltration and swale areas and reduce nutrient pollution to the St. Lucie River. This will result in less standing water within the upland properties. The project will further enhance water quality by reducing turbidity, resulting in enriched and additional seagrasses which will improve food quantities for manatee as well.

f. What are the suggested penalties that the contracting agency may consider in addition to its standard penalties for failing to meet deliverables or performance measures provided for the contract?

Typical award is a reimbursement so failure to meet deliverables or performance as part of contractual terms with awarding state agency would potentially include loss of award and appropriation. City has a great track record of meeting deliverables and coordinating with state agencies to administer award funding through to project completion.

15. Requester Contact Information

a. First Name **Last Name**

b. Organization

c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number **Ext.**

16. Recipient Contact Information

a. Organization



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b. Municipality and County

c. Organization Type

- For Profit Entity
- Non Profit 501(c)(3)
- Non Profit 501(c)(4)
- Local Entity
- University or College
- Other (please specify)

d. First Name **Last Name**

e. E-mail Address

f. Phone Number

17. Lobbyist Contact Information

a. Name

b. Firm Name

c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number

Please complete the questions below for Water Projects only.

18. Have you applied for alternative state funding?

- Waste Water Revolving Loan
- Drinking Water Revolving Loan
- Small Community Wastewater Treatment Grant
- Other (please specify)
- N/A

19. What is the population economic status?

- Financially Disadvantaged Community (ch. 62-552, F.A.C)
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- Rural Area of Economic Concern
- Rural Area of Opportunity (s. 288.0656, Florida Statutes)



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N/A

20. What is the status of construction?

Designed and engineered - shovel ready for construction upon funding.

21. What percentage of the construction has been completed?

0%

22. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

06/30/2024