



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2023-2024

LFIR # 2357

1. Project Title Bonita Springs - Spring Creek Golf Course Stormwater Management Improvements

2. Senate Sponsor Jonathan Martin

3. Date of Request 02/27/2023

4. Project/Program Description

The City has entered into a public-private partnership with a developer to construct stormwater improvements on a defunct golf course that will benefit several surrounding communities by reducing the risk of flooding. The City will then purchase the infrastructure in its improved state. The City and developer have shovel-ready plans for construction, and this funding will assist the City with the purchase of the improvements.

5. State Agency to receive requested funds Department of Environmental Protection

State Agency contacted? No

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

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	0
Fixed Capital Outlay	5,400,000
Total State Funds Requested	5,400,000

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)	5,400,000	33%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	11,100,000	67%
Other	0	0%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2023-2024	16,500,000	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?

Yes



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

The City has an Urban County Agreement with Lee County for CDBG Entitlement Funds. The City's HUD allocation for CDBG-CV funds was \$496,713. The City has partnered with local non-profit organizations for a food insecurity grant program. The program is designed to feed the local citizens in Bonita Springs either through a hot meal distribution or through the distribution of a food pantry program. The City's agreement with Lee County expires on September 30, 2023.

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)?

Yes

c. What is the estimated start date of construction?

July 1, 2023

d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

June 30, 2027

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.

The City will own the land and improvements.

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	Purchase of the constructed stormwater improvements.	5,400,000
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		5,400,000

14. Program Performance

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

The project will help mitigate the impacts of future flooding events.

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



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The City will purchase and maintain the stormwater infrastructure improvements for the benefit of the surrounding communities.

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

Stormwater management

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

>800 City residents in the subject area

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

The expected benefit is reduced flooding in residential areas. This could be measured by a reduction in number of NFIP claims in the City and less flood damage to homes in the area.

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?

Penalty could include repayment of funds.

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
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



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b. Firm Name	Greenberg Traurig PA
c. E-mail Address	dempseyh@gtlaw.com
d. Phone Number	(850)222-6891

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)
- ☒ N/A

20. What is the status of construction?

Not started.

21. What percentage of the construction has been completed?

0%

22. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

06/30/2027