



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2019-2020

LFIR#: 1087

1. Title of Project: Palatka St. John's Ave Pedestrian & Cyclist Safety

2. Senate Sponsor: Keith Perry

3. Date of Submission: 01/31/2019

4. Project/Program Description:

Palatka, a REDI community, needs to mill and resurface St John's Avenue from the 500 block through the 1300 Block; and install brick at each intersection for traffic calming and pedestrian safety, ADA compliant curbing, sidewalks, sharrows to increase bicyclist safety, site amenities such as bike racks and benches to improve the walk-ability for pedestrians, and landscaping to provide canopy as well as visually enhancing traffic calming measures. One in ten Palatka residents live in public housing and 43.2% of the residents live in poverty. Jobs are scarce. Property values and tax revenues are too low to adequately support renewal and enhancement to the infrastructure to improve the quality of life.

5. State Agency to receive requested funds : Department of Transportation

State Agency Contacted? Yes

6. Amount of the Nonrecurring Request for Fiscal Year 2019-2020

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	
Fixed Capital Outlay	1,302,816
Total State Funds Requested	1,302,816

7. Total Project Cost for Fiscal Year 2019-2020 (including matching funds available for this project)

Type of Funding	Amount	Percent
Total State Funds Requested (from question #6)	1,302,816	49.10%
Federal	0	0.00%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0.00%
Local	1,350,455	50.90%
Other	0	0.00%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2019-2020	2,653,271	100.0%

8. Has this project previously received state funding? No

Fiscal Year (yyyy-yy)	Amount		Specific Appropriation #	Vetoed
	Recurring	NonRecurring		

9. Is future-year funding likely to be requested? No

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



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Spending Category	Description	Amount
Administrative Costs:		
Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits		
Other Salary and Benefits		
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		
Operational Costs:		
Salary and Benefits		
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering	Final Design, Bid Advertisement, Inspection, Permitting, and Construction.	1,302,816
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		1,302,816

11. Program Performance:

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

To connect one of the most distressed neighborhoods within a City already designated as an area of critical economic concern to the Post office, Police and Fire stations, downtown shopping, and Riverfront Park recreational space while improving the safety of pedestrians and bicyclists.

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

Mill and resurface St John's Avenue from the 500 block through the 1300 Block. Install brick at each intersection for traffic calming and pedestrian safety, ADA compliant curbing, sidewalks, sharrows to increase bicyclist safety, site amenities such as bike racks and benches to improve the walk-ability for pedestrians, and landscaping to provide canopy as well as visually enhancing traffic calming measures.

c. What are the direct services to be provided to citizens by the appropriations project?

To connect one of the most distressed neighborhoods within a city already designated as an area of critical economic concern to the post office, police and fire stations, downtown shopping and Riverfront Park recreational space while improving the safety of pedestrians and bicyclists.

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

The target population served by this project is the population of the City of Palatka and more specifically one of the most distressed neighborhoods within the city. The improvements to the St. John's Avenue business district corridor will create a safe alternative to driving to services located within the business district corridor.

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

The benefits to this project include improved physical health due to the option of alternatives to driving, improved transportation conditions and options, increased economic activity due to the increase in walkability



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of the downtown corridor, and increased tourism by the connection to and possible expansion of the trails within the city. These will be measured by the increase in pedestrian and cyclist traffic and the decrease of vehicular speeding due to the traffic calming measures, tracking the occupied rate in the downtown buildings, and measuring the activity on the city's trails, and the expansion of the trails to include the upgraded St. John's corridor.

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 in the contract?

In addition to the specified financial penalties, the city reserves the right to reject bids from contractors/firms with previous performance issues.

12. The owner(s) of the facility to receive, directly or indirectly, any fixed capital outlay funding. Include the relationship between the owner(s) of the facility and the entity.

City of Palatka.

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- c. **Organization Type:**
 - For Profit
 - Non Profit 501(c) (3)
 - Non Profit 501(c) (4)
 - Local Entity
 - University or College
 - Other (Please specify) Municipality
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