



# The Florida Senate

## Local Funding Initiative Request

### Fiscal Year 2023-2024

LFIR # 1867

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

The Western shore of Lake Silver was modified during the development of the railroads early in Florida's History. As such, its unnaturally flat shape, coupled with the lake's deep cone-shaped morphology, makes it prone to erosion. The old railroad bed is now home to a pedestrian trail and skate park. Erosion has continued to wear away at this shoreline, requiring significant repairs to protect the adjacent community amenities and the Lake Silver ecosystem. The project is designed and permitted.

5. State Agency to receive requested funds

State Agency contacted?

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

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

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	11%
<b>Matching Funds</b>		
Federal	1,700,000	36%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	2,525,000	53%
Other	0	0%
<b>Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2023-2024</b>	<b>4,725,000</b>	<b>100%</b>

8. Has this project previously received state funding?

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

9. Is future funding likely to be requested?

a. If yes, indicate nonrecurring amount per year.

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

The City does not have a clear funding mechanism for this effort stemming from historic railroad impacts.

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



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

The City received \$7,776,962 in American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds applied as "lost revenue" as allowed within the program policies and directions. The funds were earmarked for four projects:

Affordable Housing Local Match: \$1,500,000  
 WHRCC Project Assistance: \$4,500,000  
 Fire Station #4 Project Assistance: \$1,000,000  
 Community Health Project Assistance: \$776,962

In December 2022 Winter Haven received a third payment of \$30,301.46. This was added to the WHRCC project.

## 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?

10/1/2023

d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

6/1/2024

**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.**

N/A- State waters public lake

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

Spending Category	Description	Amount
<b>Administrative Costs:</b>		
Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits		0
Other Salary and Benefits		0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
<b>Operational Costs: Other</b>		
Salary and Benefits		0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
<b>Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:</b>		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering	Shoreline stabilization and revetment.	500,000
<b>Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)</b>		<b>500,000</b>

### 14. Program Performance



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

Lake Silver is home to Winter Haven's Martin Luther King Jr. Park which hosts significant local, regional, and international events. The Chain of Lakes Trail along this lake shore is slated to be connected to the statewide trail network. Constructing this shoreline stabilization will protect these resource for future generations.

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

This project is fully designed and permitted so construction can begin immediately. Construction is the primary focus of this funding request.

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

Constructing this shoreline stabilization will protect the Chain of Lakes trail (soon to be a regional resource through future planned trail connections), and will reduce water quality impacts to Lake Silver protecting these resources for citizen's enjoyment into the future.

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

Lake Silver and it's surrounding amenities primarily serve the Winter Haven Community, but also serve as regional resources routinely drawing people to events from surrounding counties. It has served as host to events like the World Water Ski Championship which drew participants from all over the world. The impact of protecting this resource will impact a very large number of individuals over the next 50-100 years.

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

Construction is the primary goal of this project and the measure of completion will be a signed and sealed set of As-built plans certifying the construction falls in line with the original design and permitting.

**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?**

If the project is reimbursement based, since it has only one primary deliverable, the City would not be reimbursed unless the deliverable is achieved.

**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)



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

**20. What is the status of construction?**

**21. What percentage of the construction has been completed?**



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22. What is the estimated completion date of construction?