



# The Florida Senate

## Local Funding Initiative Request

### Fiscal Year 2021-2022

LFIR # 1938

1. Project Title Fort Myers Midtown Urban Infill Development Water Quality Initiative Design-Build Phase 2

2. Senate Sponsor Ray Rodrigues

3. Date of Request 03/02/2021

#### 4. Project/Program Description

Along with preservation of open space that naturally filters runoff, the city funding will go towards design and construction of green infrastructure including but not limited to permeable soils or pavements, rain gardens, green roofs, storage of runoff for nonpotable uses such as irrigation, and enhancement of the water table through an exfiltration system. The goal is to develop modern stormwater infrastructure while encouraging attainable housing and mixed-use commercial development in the Midtown area of Fort Myers. With increased density in the city infill area, the aim is to preserve water quality through low impact development practices and ground recharge.

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

State Agency contacted? No

#### 6. Amount of the Nonrecurring Request for Fiscal Year 2021-2022

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	0
Fixed Capital Outlay	850,000
<b>Total State Funds Requested</b>	<b>850,000</b>

#### 7. Total Project Cost for Fiscal Year 2021-2022 (including matching funds available for this project)

Type of Funding	Amount	Percentage
Total State Funds Requested (from question #6)	850,000	42%
<b>Matching Funds</b>		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	1,150,000	58%
Other	0	0%
<b>Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2021-2022</b>	<b>2,000,000</b>	<b>100%</b>

8. Has this project previously received state funding? Yes

Fiscal Year (yyyy-yy)	Amount		Specific Appropriation #	Vetoed
	Recurring	Nonrecurring		
2020-21	0	250,000	2307A	No

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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No

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

#### 11. 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	Design and permitting	500,000
<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	Infrastructure planning and construction costs	350,000
<b>Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)</b>		<b>850,000</b>

#### 12. Program Performance

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

The goal is to develop modern stormwater infrastructure while encouraging attainable housing and mixed-use commercial development in the Midtown area of Fort Myers. With increased density in the city infill area, the aim is to preserve water quality through low impact development practices and ground recharge. Project includes green infrastructure including but not limited to permeable soils or pavements, rain gardens, green roofs and storage of runoff for non-potable uses such as irrigation.

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

Along with preservation of open space that naturally filters runoff, the city funding will go towards design and construction of green infrastructure including but not limited to permeable soils or pavements, rain gardens, green roofs, storage of runoff for nonpotable uses such as irrigation, and enhancement of the water table through an exfiltration system.

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

Continued planning and design-build of stormwater systems benefiting City of Fort Myers citizens through this urban infill redevelopment project.

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

The entire City of Fort Myers is the target population, more than 100,000 individuals - residents and visitors - could be served.

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



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By implementing green initiatives, there will be a reduction in stormwater runoff into the Caloosahatchee. The decrease in untreated stormwater discharge to the Caloosahatchee can be measured by the amount of water collected, stored and reused through green infrastructure initiatives. Future Midtown residents are estimated to be at least 6,000 (from a current population of 650). There will be an increase in economic activity, resulting in tourism attraction extending visitor interest from adjacent historic downtown area that can be measured through business tax receipts and tax revenue generation.

**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?**

City would forfeit funds back to the state.

**13. 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.**

City of Fort Myers would be the owners.



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#### 14. Requestor Contact Information

a. First Name  Last Name

b. Organization

c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number  Ext.

#### 15. 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

#### 16. Lobbyist Contact Information

a. Name

b. Firm Name

c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number



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**Please complete the questions below for Water Projects only.**

**17. 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

**18. 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

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

0%

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

0%

**21. What is the estimated completion date of construction?**

06/02/2023