



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2026-2027

LFIR # 1381

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

The purpose of the project is to enhance intersection safety and operational efficiency, as well as reduce traffic delays, travel time, and associated costs. The project consists of construction of a mast arm traffic signal at the intersection of SW 42nd Street/SW 32nd Street and SW 7th Avenue. In addition, the project includes the installation and extension of left-turn lanes on SW 42nd Streets, as well as asphalt milling and resurfacing.

5. State Agency to receive requested funds

State Agency contacted?

6. Amount of the Nonrecurring Request for Fiscal Year 2026-2027

| Type of Funding | Amount |
|------------------------------------|----------------|
| Operating | 0 |
| Fixed Capital Outlay | 750,000 |
| Total State Funds Requested | 750,000 |

7. Total Project Cost for Fiscal Year 2026-2027 (including matching funds available for this project)

| Type of Funding | Amount | Percentage |
|------------------------------------------------------|------------------|-------------|
| Total State Funds Requested (from question #6) | 750,000 | 50% |
| Matching Funds | | |
| Federal | 0 | 0% |
| State (excluding the amount of this request) | 0 | 0% |
| Local | 750,000 | 50% |
| Other | 0 | 0% |
| Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2026-2027 | 1,500,000 | 100% |

8. Has this project previously received state funding?

If yes, provide the most recent instance:

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

9. Is future-year 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.

Complete questions 10 and 11 for Fixed Capital Outlay Projects



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10. Status of Construction

a. What is the current phase of the project?

☐ Planning ☒ Design ☐ Construction ☐ N/A

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

Yes

c. What is the estimated start date of construction?

06/01/2026

d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

06/01/2027

e. What funding stream will be used for ongoing operations and maintenance of the project?

City of Ocala Public Works Department Maintenance Budget

11. 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.

City of Ocala (SW 42nd Street owner) and Marion County (SW 7th Avenue owner)

12. 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 | | |
| 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 | Funding will be used for construction of a mast arm traffic signal, installation/extension of left-turn lanes on SW 42nd Street, asphalt milling and resurfacing, and Construction Engineering Inspection (CEI). | 750,000 |
| Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6) | | 750,000 |

13. Program Performance

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

The specific purpose of the project is to enhance intersection safety and operational efficiency, as well as reduce traffic delays, travel time, and associated costs. The project includes construction of a mast arm traffic signal at the intersection of SW 42nd Street/SW 32nd Street and SW 7th Avenue. In addition, the project includes the installation and extension of left-turn lanes on SW 42nd Streets, as well as asphalt milling and resurfacing.

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



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Signalization will include mast arms and poles with traffic signals, Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS) equipment, video detection, fiber optic communication, uninterruptible power supply, ADA ramps, pedestrian signals and detectors, signing and pavement markings. The project also includes installation of a westbound left-turn lane and extension of the existing eastbound left-turn lane as well as asphalt milling and resurfacing.

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

Enhance intersection safety and operational efficiency.

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

This project will serve the City of Ocala which has a population of approximately 70,000, as well as Marion County residents, and visitors.

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

Improve intersection safety, reduce vehicular congestion, delays and travel-time. Before and after traffic studies.

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?

None at this time.

14. Is this project related to mitigation, response, or recovery from a natural disaster?

a. If Yes, what phase best describes the project?

- ☐ Mitigation (reducing or eliminating potential loss of life or property)
- ☐ Response (addressing the immediate and short-term effects of a natural disaster)
- ☐ Recovery (assisting communities return to normal operations, including rebuilding damaged infrastructure)

b. Name of the natural disaster (or Executive Order # for events not under a federal declaration):

15. Has the entity applied for or received federal assistance for this project?

- ☐ Yes, Applied
- ☐ Yes, Received
- ☐ No
- ☐ No, but intends to apply

a. If yes, provide the FEMA project worksheet ID#:

b. Provide the total project cost listed on the FEMA project worksheet:

16. Has the entity applied for or received state assistance for this project (other than this request)?

- ☐ Yes, Applied



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- ☐ Yes, Received
- ☐ No
- ☐ No, but intends to apply

a. If yes, specify the program and state agency (ex. Local Government Emergency Bridge Loan, Department of Commerce):

17. Requester Contact Information

a. First Name Last Name

b. Organization

c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number Ext.

18. 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 Ext.

19. Lobbyist Contact Information

a. Name

b. Firm Name

c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number



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