



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2023-2024

LFIR # 2235

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

Beach re-nourishment/Construction Costs - The Town of Fort Myers Beach seeks to contract with a qualified Contractor to purchase, transport, place, and grade beach compatible sand along the central and south segments of Estero Island which was lost due to Hurricane Ian. The sand is vital to the rehabilitation of critical wildlife habitat as well as the restoration of the beach for use of tourists and residents.

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	9,199,105
Total State Funds Requested	9,199,105

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)	9,199,105	100%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	0	0%
Other	0	0%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2023-2024	9,199,105	100%

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.

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

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



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\$23,629.75 on April 7, 2021 used for Covid related expenses. ARPA funds – received \$1,770,000.00 to date and expect another \$1,770,000 in June of 2022. No funds have been spent as of yet, in pre-planning stages for expenditures

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)?

No

c. What is the estimated start date of construction?

10/01/2023

d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

05/01/2024

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.

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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	Professional services for the design, engineering, monitoring, environmental, and tilling costs.	816,000
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
Construction/Renovation/Land/ Planning Engineering	Construction Costs - The Town of Fort Myers Beach seeks to contract with a qualified Contractor to purchase, transport, place, and grade beach compatible sand along the central and south segments of Estero Island, Fort Myers Beach, FL 33931.	8,383,105
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		9,199,105

14. Program Performance

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

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

The public beaches will be renourished with sand and appropriate accoutrement so they can reopen

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

The service to be provided will be the reopening of the public beaches

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

residents and tourists that visit the area of Fort Myers Beach along with the region of Lee County.

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

The return of beach compatible sand will protect the critical wildlife, provide a protection barrier from the ocean waves and protect beach-goers from the exposed seawalls. Natural beach sand deposits are important for recreation by residents and tourists and serve as a barrier against storm waves, which protects coastal residences, commercial investments, and to provide nesting habitat for sea turtles. Measured by the return of tourism.

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?

Notice of failure to perform with a 60 day notice to make corrections, if performance measures are still not met then to withhold further payment until performance measures are met.

15. Requester Contact Information

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16. Recipient Contact Information

a. Organization Town of Fort Myers Beach
b. Municipality and County Lee

c. Organization Type

- ☐ For Profit Entity
☐ Non Profit 501(c)(3)
☐ Non Profit 501(c)(4)
☒ Local Entity
☐ University or College
☐ Other (please specify)

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