



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request - Fiscal Year 2018-2019

1. **Title of Project:** City of Palatka Drinking Water Infrastructure Improvements

2. **Senate Sponsor:** Keith Perry

3. **Date of Submission:** 01/23/2018

4. **Project/Program Description:**

Replacing 85-131 year old, failing water lines to correct poor water quality, low pressure, and excessive water loss within the system. Tuberculation, microbes, worms and layers of bacteria build up on the interior of corroded iron pipes causing the pipes to become clogged and effecting water pressure.(<http://www.waterandhealth.org>). This phase is part of a multi-phase initiative and would replace approximately 2,100 linear feet of the outdated infrastructure with sustainable PVC materials to alleviate the above mentioned issues. Exhibit A and B: failing pipes indicative of the project area, Exhibit C: water pressure photos, Exhibit D: Project Cost Estimate and Exhibit E: Potable Phasing Map.

5. **State Agency Contacted?** Yes

a. If yes, which state agency? Department of Environmental Protection

b. If no, which is the most appropriate state agency to place an appropriation for the issue being requested?

6. **Amount of Non-recurring Requested for fiscal year 2018-19:**

Amount Requested for Operations	Amount Requested for Fixed Capital Outlay	Total Amount of Requested State Funds
	694,951	694,951

7. **Type, amount and percent of matching funds available for this project for fiscal year 2018-19:**

Type	Amount	Percent
Federal	0	0.0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0.0%
Local	970,824	44.8%
Other	500,000	23.1%
TOTAL	1,470,824	67.9 %

8. **Total Project Cost for fiscal year 2018-19 (including the Total Amount of Requested State Funds):** 2,165,775

9. **Previous Year Funding Details:**

a. Has funding been provided in a previous state budget for this activity? No

b. In the previous 5 fiscal years, how many years was funding provided? (Optional)



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- c. What is the most recent fiscal year the project was funded?
- d. Were the funds provided in the most recent fiscal year subsequently vetoed?
- e. Complete the following Worksheet.

FY:	Input Prior FY Appropriation for this project for FY 2017-18 (If appropriated in FY 2017-18 enter the appropriated amount, even if vetoed.)		
Column:	A	B	C
Funds Description:	Prior Year Recurring Funds *	Prior Year Nonrecurring Funds *	Total Funds Appropriated (Column A + Column B)
Input Amounts:			

10. Is future-year funding likely to be requested?

No

11. Program Performance:

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

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

Replacing approximately 2100 LF of outdated potable water supply infrastructure is a priority and the City is proactively financing a portion of this project through the utility fund, the better place fund, and the tax increment finance fund, additional funding is being pursued from available outside sources. The scope of the project is too large to be funded solely by the City. Palatka's population threshold of 10,500 prohibits the City from qualifying for State and Federal grants for water line replacement. In addition, the City is comprised of households with low to moderate income levels, a high percentage of low income housing, multiple buildings owned by non-profit organizations and County Government, and lower than average property values. These factors contribute to the City's current fiscally constrained status.

c. How will the funds be expended?

Spending Category	Description	Amount
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Administrative Costs		
<input type="checkbox"/> Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits		
<input type="checkbox"/> Other Salary and Benefits		
<input type="checkbox"/> Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		
<input type="checkbox"/> Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		
Operational Costs		
<input type="checkbox"/> Salary and Benefits		
<input type="checkbox"/> Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		
<input type="checkbox"/> Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering	Final design, permitting and construction of potable lines	694,951
TOTAL		694,951

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

The City will be able to deliver cleaner and safer drinking water free of biofilm that can lead to water contamination to residents currently being serviced by failing and aged pipes. The public safety of residents will also improve as current leaks and breaks can adversely affect water pressure which can be a problem in the event of a fire if the hydrant does not have adequate water pressure to be utilized by the fire department. The outcome can be measured by the reduction in frequency of flushing needs, the reduction in the number of breaks and leaks, and the reduction in the complaints from citizens of red water.

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

The target population is the City of Palatka. The City has a population of 10,558 according to the 2010 census.

f. 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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- g. 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?**

We stand ready to complete this project, meeting all deliverables and performance measures.

- 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.**

The City currently owns the right of ways where the water line infrastructure is to be replaced and does not intend to transfer that ownership.

- 13. Requestor Contact Information:**

- a. **Name:** Terrill Hill
- b. **Organization:** City of Palatka - Mayor
- c. **Email:** thill@palatka-fl.gov
- d. **Phone Number:** (386)329-0100 Ext. 230

- 14. Recipient Contact Information:**

- a. **Organization:** City of Palatka
- b. **County:** Putnam
- c. **Organization Type:**
 - ☐ For Profit
 - ☐ Non Profit 501(c) (3)
 - ☐ Non Profit 501(c) (4)
 - ☐ Local Entity
 - ☐ University or College
 - ☒ Other (Please specify) Municipality
- d. **Contact Name:** Jonathan Griffith
- e. **E-mail Address:** jcgriffith@palatka-fl.gov
- f. **Phone Number:** (386)329-0107

- 15. If there is a registered lobbyist, fill out the lobbyist information below.**

- a. **Name:** Mario Bailey
- b. **Firm:** Becker & Poliakoff
- c. **Email:** m Bailey@bplegal.com
- d. **Phone Number:** (205)246-3932

- 16. Have you applied for alternative state funding?**

- ☐ Wastewater Revolving Loan
- ☒ Drinking Water Revolving Loan



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☐ Small Community Wastewater Treatment Grant

☐ Other (Please describe)

☐ N/A

17. 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

18. What is the status of construction?

Not begun construction

19. What percentage of construction has been completed?

0%

20. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

December 2020