



# The Florida Senate

## Local Funding Initiative Request

### Fiscal Year 2019-2020

LFIR#: 1501

1. **Title of Project:** Zephyrhills Septic to Sewer Project

2. **Senate Sponsor:** Wilton Simpson

3. **Date of Submission:** 01/30/2019

4. **Project/Program Description:**

Connect approximately 67 low income residents to municipal sewer system in an area immediately east of the Zephyrhills city limits, but within the city's utility service area, per an agreement with Pasco County. The City previously provided water service to this neighborhood. This project will include extending sewer force main lines, gravity and/or vacuum sewer lines, connection to the city municipal waste water collection system, decommission existing septic tanks, and construction of Armstrong Street, a dirt road, to provide access and utility service along that roadway (currently a private drive).

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

State Agency Contacted? No

6. **Amount of the Nonrecurring Request for Fiscal Year 2019-2020**

| Type of Funding                    | Amount           |
|------------------------------------|------------------|
| Operations                         |                  |
| Fixed Capital Outlay               | 2,100,000        |
| <b>Total State Funds Requested</b> | <b>2,100,000</b> |

7. **Total Project Cost for Fiscal Year 2019-2020 (including matching funds available for this project)**

| Type of Funding                                      | Amount           | Percent       |
|--|------------------|---------------|
| Total State Funds Requested (from question #6)       | 2,100,000        | 93.7%         |
| Federal  | 0                | 0.0%          |
| State (excluding the amount of this request)         | 0                | 0.0%          |
| Local  | 140,030          | 6.3%          |
| Other  | 0                | 0.0%          |
| <b>Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2019-2020</b> | <b>2,240,030</b> | <b>100.0%</b> |

8. **Has this project previously received state funding?** No

| Fiscal Year<br>(yyyy-yy) | Amount    |              | Specific<br>Appropriation # | Vetoed |
|--------------------------|-----------|--------------|-----------------------------|--------|
|                          | Recurring | NonRecurring |                             |        |
|                          |           |              |                             |        |

9. **Is future-year funding likely to be requested?** No

10. **Details on how the requested state funds will be expended**

| Spending Category            | Description | Amount |
|------------------------------|-------------|--------|
| <b>Administrative Costs:</b> |             |        |



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| Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits                    |   |                  |
| Other Salary and Benefits  |   |                  |
| Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other                                |   |                  |
| Consultants/Contracted Services/Study                                  | engineering services (design of force main sewer connection to the residential area, gravity sewer lines and/or vacuum sewer lines) and road design.  | 200,000          |
| <b>Operational Costs:</b>  |   |                  |
| Salary and Benefits  |   |                  |
| Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other                                |   |                  |
| Consultants/Contracted Services/Study                                  |   |                  |
| <b>Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:</b>                    |   |                  |
| Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering                      | Oversee construction and installation of sewer lines, decommissioning septic tanks, and improvement of dirt road (installation of sewer lines will be included in Armstrong Street right of way). | 1,900,000        |
| <b>Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)</b> |   | <b>2,100,000</b> |

**11. Program Performance:**

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

Connect sewer lines to residential subdivision and homes along 6th Avenue and Armstrong Street. Project will include decommission of existing septic tanks and improvement of dirt road (Armstrong). This includes 67 existing properties and potential for additional properties in the future.

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

Connection to municipal sewer system; environmental improvements; roadway improvements. The City of Zephyrhills will impact fees of \$2,090 to the residents for connection to the utility waste water system as a local match for this project. Currently, in conjunction with Pasco County Utilities, the city is in the process of installing a lift station within a mile of this neighborhood.

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

In addition to the improvement of the quality of life for residents in this predominately African American neighborhood by upgrading local utility standards, these residents will be served by the local municipality with both water and sewer service and decommission of existing septic tanks, many of which were installed as long ago as the 1950s and 1960s.

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

Approximately 67 property owners/150 residents, This is a largely minority neighborhood with high concentration of senior citizens and low and fixed income residents.

**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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Improve the quality of life for residents in this predominately African American neighborhood by upgrading local utility standards and providing complete municipal utility services (water and sewer). It also lessens the potential impacts of environmental hazards and contamination from old and deteriorating septic tanks.

**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?**

The City of Zephyrhills operates a fully sanctioned and operating utility system under the auspices and regulations of state agencies, including the Florida Department of Environmental Protection and the Southwest Florida Water Management District. FDEP authorization and permitting will be required for the implementation of this project.

**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 of Zephyrhills municipal utility system will connect these residents to its system. This system provides a safe, clean water supply and environmentally sound sewer system. The residents within this project area are located within the city's Utility Service Area Agreement with Pasco County and has provided utility services (water) to the area for more than 30 years.

**13. Requestor Contact Information:**

- a. **Name:** Steven Spina
- b. **Organization:** City of Zephyrhills
- c. **E-mail Address:** sspina@ci.zephyrhills.fl.us
- d. **Phone Number:** (813)780-0011

**14. Recipient Contact Information:**

- a. **Organization:** City of Zephyrhills
- b. **County:** Pasco
- c. **Organization Type:**
  - For Profit
  - Non Profit 501(c) (3)
  - Non Profit 501(c) (4)
  - Local Entity
  - University or College
  - Other (Please specify)
- d. **Contact Name:** Steven Spina
- e. **E-mail Address:** sspina@ci.zephyrhills.fl.us
- f. **Phone Number:** (813)780-0011

**15. Lobbyist Contact Information**

- a. **Name:** None
- b. **Firm Name:** None



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c. E-mail Address:

d. Phone Number:

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

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

- Wastewater Revolving Loan
- Drinking Water Revolving Loan
- 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?** No construction as of this time.

**19. What percentage of construction has been completed?** 0%

**20. What is the estimated completion date of construction?** October 2020.