



**INDIAN RIVER COUNTY, FLORIDA
INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM**

**Parks & Recreation /
Department of General Services**

Date: November 24, 2021

To: Honorable Board of County Commissioners

Thru: Jason E. Brown, County Administrator
Michael C. Zito, Assistant County Administrator
Dylan Reingold, County Attorney
Kevin Kirwin, Director Parks & Recreation

From: Beth Powell, Asst. Director Parks & Conservation Resources

Subject: 2021/22 FIND Waterways Assistance Program Grant Award for the Environmental Learning Center Main Dock

DESCRIPTIONS AND CONDITIONS

One May 18, 2021, the Board approved a Lease Modification for the Environmental Learning Center (ELC) and adopted Resolution 2021-036 for the purpose of applying for a grant to the Florida Inland Navigation District (FIND) in partnership with the ELC to replace the 29-year old dock on the ELC campus. In June 2021, County staff submitted a Waterways Assistance Program (WAP) grant application to FIND in partnership with the ELC. The application was accepted by FIND and subsequently approved for funding. The grant award of \$100,000 will be matched with an equal cash match provided through private donations raised and in hand by the ELC. Once approved by the Board, the ELC will provide the matching funds to the County within ten (10) days per the Third Modification to Lease.

The purpose of the funds will be for a complete replacement of the existing dock in the same footprint. The ELC will provide all engineering design and environmental permits necessary to complete the construction of the dock, and the County will complete the procurement of the dock based on the engineered plans and bid specifications provided by ELC. Indian River County Parks and Recreation staff will serve as the project sponsor and the Indian River County Purchasing Division will serve to bid the construction.

FUNDING

A budget amendment will be needed to appropriate \$100,000 from the donation from the ELC and the additional \$100,000 from the FIND grant revenues for a total of \$200,000. The dock expenses will be funded out of the Florida Boating Improvement Fund/ELC Main Dock Replacement account, number 13321072-066510-22013. Up to \$1,600 in additional funding will be required to hire a consultant to compile the front-end bid documents necessary for bidding, which is already budgeted and available in the Florida Boating Improvements Fund/Other Contractual Services account, number 13321072-033490.

Funding Source	Account Name	Account Number	Amount
ELC	FL Boating Improvement Fund/ELC Main Dock Replacement	13321072-066510-22013	\$100,000.00
FIND Grant	FL Boating Improvement Fund/ELC Main Dock Replacement	13321072-066510-22013	\$100,000.00
IRC	FL Boating Improvement Fund/Other Contractual Services	13321072-033490	\$1,600.00

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff respectfully recommends that the Board accept the Florida Inland Navigation District Grant (IR-21-71) and authorize the Chairman to execute the Agreement with the Florida Inland Navigation District Project Agreement IR-21-71.

ATTACHMENT

- Florida Inland Navigation District Project Agreement – IR-21-71

APPROVED AGENDA ITEM FOR DECEMBER 7, 2021