

# INDIAN RIVER COUNTY, FLORIDA AGENDA ITEM

### Department of General Services / Parks & Recreation

**Date:** January 27, 2023

To: The Honorable Board of County Commissioners

Through: Michael C. Zito, Interim County Administrator

Beth Powell, Director Parks and Recreation/Acting General Services Director

From: Wendy Swindell, Conservation Lands Manager

**Subject:** Jones' Pier Conservation Area Public Access Improvements – Final

**Completion and Release of Retainage** 

#### **BACKGROUND:**

The Jones' Pier Conservation Area (JPCA) is a 16.5-acre conservation area located on Jungle Trail approximately one-half mile north of its intersection with Old Winter Beach Road. On January 7, 2020 the Board approved Bid No. 2020017 for the construction of the Jones Pier wetland restoration and conservation improvements to XGD Systems, Inc. in the amount of \$1,393,951.68. This contract included the construction of the parking area, restroom, pavilion, trails, and ecological restoration. Work on these improvements was initiated by XGD soon thereafter.

Supporting many of the construction items included in this project are a total of 9 grants that were received from agencies including: the Florida Department of State, Division of Historical Resources; the Florida Inland Navigation District; the Indian River Lagoon National Estuary Program; the Florida Department of Emergency Management, Hazard Mitigation Program; the Florida Department of Environmental Protection; and the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission. Agency funding awarded to the project includes a total of \$446,408, with all reimbursements received, with the exception of those associated with the re-purposing of the Jones Bungalow House. The two grants remaining will be closed out by October 2023.

#### **DESCRIPTION AND CONDITIONS:**

Although construction was initiated in early 2020, due to COVID and several non-COVID related construction delays, the XGD site construction was not substantially complete until mid-2022. The project completion required an additional \$124,491.78 in Change Orders due to unanticipated items such as modifications to the FPL lines to convert them to underground lines, modifications to drainage structures, and addition of project contingency funds. With the Change Orders, the total budget for the completion of this project is \$1,518,443.46.

XGD Systems, Inc. has completed the construction of the site amenities, and is requesting the release of the 5% project retainage. To date, XGD Systems Inc. has been paid \$1,442,521.29. Payment in the amount of \$75,922.17 will complete the county's obligation to the contractor. This payment includes the release of project retainage.

# **FUNDING:**

Funding for the Jones Pier Conservation Area Improvements is budgeted and available in the following retainage accounts for total of \$75,922.17:

Account Description	Account Number	Amount
MSTU/Retainage/Jones Pier Improvements	004-206000-18010	\$ 5,864.89
Tree Ordinance Fines/Retainage/Jones Pier Improvements	117-206000-18010	\$ 1,422.62
Native Uplands Acquisition/Retainage/Jones Pier Improvements	127-206000-18010	\$ 6,304.47
Optional Sales Tax/Retainage/Jones Pier Improvements	315-206000-18010	\$ 62,330.19
Total:		\$ 75,922.17

## **RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff respectfully recommends approval of Application for Payment Holdback-REV-3, in the amount of \$75,922.17, to XGD Systems, Inc., which will release any further obligations of the County from the Contractor.

## **ATTACHMENTS:**

• Pay Application Holdback-REV-3

### **APPROVED AGENDA ITEM FOR February 7, 2023**