

**Indian River County, Florida
Department of Utility Services
Board Memorandum**

Date: August 2, 2022

To: Jason E. Brown, County Administrator

From: Sean C. Lieske, Director of Utility Services

Prepared By: Robert J. Tobar, EI, Utility Design Engineer

Subject: Floravon Shores Septic to Sewer Approval of FDEP Cost-Share Funding Agreement

Descriptions and Conditions:

Indian River County Department of Utility Services (IRCDUS) submitted a Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) Water Protection grant application for the Floravon Shores Septic to Sewer project and was awarded \$225,000 towards the estimated total cost of \$621,891.91. Funding will be made available through a cost reimbursement grant, which will require execution of a grant agreement with the FDEP. The FDEP grant has a 50% match requirement. IRCDUS has the funding available through other grant funds for the matching requirement.

Analysis:

In order to secure the funding, the following items were submitted to FDEP:

- Agreement Contact Information form
- Grant Work Plan
- Certificate of Insurance Coverage
- Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency Act Form
- Department Certification

On July 11, 2022, FDEP forwarded the final agreement, WG023, which expires on December 31, 2024, if executed.

Funding:

The estimated construction cost is \$621,891.91, which will come from the Utility Assessments/Floravon Shores Septic to Sewer account, number 473-169000-19556. The FDEP grant will pay \$225,000 towards the construction cost. IRCDUS submitted a grant proposal to Indian River Lagoon National Estuary Program (IRLNEP) and should be informed of a decision in August 2022. American Rescue Plan (ARP) funding of

Consent Item

\$225,000 will also be used for the project and will be a reimbursement to IRCDUS. If the County receives funding from IRLNEP, those funds will show as a reimbursement as well. Any shortfall in grant funding will be generated through an assessment levied against the benefitting properties for the project.

Account Name	Account Number	Amount
Utility Assessments/Floravon Shores Septic to Sewer	473-169000-19556	\$621,891.91

Recommendation:

Staff recommends the Board of County Commissioners authorize the Director of Utility Services to sign the Florida Department of Environmental Protection Grant Agreement WG023 and all necessary documents in order to effectuate the grant agreement.

Attachments:

- FDEP Grant Agreement
- IRC Grant Form