

**INDIAN RIVER COUNTY
OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET
PURCHASING DIVISION**

DATE: January 25, 2023

TO: BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

THROUGH: Michael C. Zito, Interim County Administrator
Kristin Daniels, Director, Office of Management and Budget

FROM: Jennifer Hyde, Purchasing Manager

SUBJECT: Agreement with Meeks Plumbing for North County and West Wabasso Septic to Sewer (S2S) Private Side Connections

BACKGROUND:

On December 20, 2022, the Board awarded RFP 2023007 for North County Water and Sewer System Phase 2 Customer Side Connections to the sole proposer, Meeks Plumbing, Inc. (“Meeks”), and authorized staff to begin negotiations. Residences will only be connected to sewer after they have connected to County water. The costs of connection to sewer will be paid to Meeks by the County, and will come from cost-share grant funds from St. Johns River Water Management District and the Indian River Lagoon Council, as well as American Rescue Plan funds.

As requested in the RFP, Meeks also provided base pricing for water side connections. Homeowners are not required to utilize Meeks to connect, as the cost to connect a residence to County water is the responsibility of the homeowner.

DISCUSSION:

Staff has conducted negotiations with Meeks, and has prepared an agreement.

On January 17, 2023, the Board authorized the use of ARP funding for 31 private sewer connections in the West Wabasso area. Because the scope of work is the same in both areas, a competitive solicitation has already been issued with a single qualified respondent, and the timelines of the projects overlap, staff would like to include the West Wabasso residences in the proposed agreement.

FUNDING:

The anticipated cost of the customer side North County sewer connections is \$1,627,057.80. The customer side sewer connection cost in West Wabasso is estimated at \$316,688.49 (\$142,600.27 for Phase 3A and \$174,088.22 for Phase 3B). Both projects are anticipated to cost \$1,943,746.29 combined. Available funding sources are shown below.

North County Phase 2 Water and Sewer Project Customer-side Construction Funding			
Funding Source	Description	Account (if applicable)	Amount
SJRWMD	Optional Sales Tax/WW Collection/Sebastian Phase II Water & Sewer	31526836-066510-17513	\$ 536,929.07
IRL Council			\$ 204,017.69
American Rescue Plan	ARP/Sebastian Phase II Water & Sewer	13821936-066510-17513	\$ 886,111.04
Total North County Connections			\$ 1,627,057.80

West Wabasso Phase 3B and 3A S2S Project Customer-side Construction Funding			
Funding Source	Description	Account (if applicable)	Amount
Optional Sales Tax	Optional Sales Tax/WW Collection/West Wabasso sewer Phase 3	31526836-066510-21512	\$ 106,118.60
American Rescue Plan (ARP)	ARP Fund/West Wabasso Sewer Phase 3	13821936-066510-21512	\$ 210,569.89 ¹
Total Wabasso Connections			\$ 316,688.49
Total Connections			\$ 1,943,746.29

1. \$ 94,756.45 ARP is delegated to West Wabasso S2S Phase 3A and \$ 115,813.44 is delegated to West Wabasso S2S Phase 3B

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends the Board approve the agreement, including the addition of the West Wabasso residences, and authorize the Chairman to execute the agreement after the County Attorney has approved it as to form and legal sufficiency, and after Meeks is actively registered in SAM.gov.

ATTACHMENT

Agreement