

# **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

TO:	James K. Scholl, City Manager
	Sarah Spurlock, Assistant City Manager

FROM: Carolyn Sheldon, Senior Grants Administrator

**DATE:** August 27, 2014

RE:

Approving the attached Public Transportation Joint Participation Agreement (JPA) between the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) and the City of Key West for a new mooring dolphin at the Mallory T-Pier in an amount not to exceed \$762,000.00. Authorizing any necessary budget amendments or transfers to accept the funding. Authorizing the City Manager to execute the attached JPA.

## ACTION STATEMENT:

This resolution will approve the attached Public Transportation Joint Participation Agreement (JPA) between the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) and the City of Key West for a new mooring dolphin at the Mallory T-Pier in an amount not to exceed \$762,000.00 and authorize any necessary budget amountments or transfers to accept the funding. The City Manager will be authorized to execute the attached JPA.

## BACKGROUND:

The City of Key West submitted an application on May 15, 2013 for Florida Seaport Transportation and Economic Development (FSTED) Program funding via the Florida Department of Transportation for the Mallory T-Pier project (FM 435035-1-94-01/Contract Number ARJ38). Although the City received word from FDOT in June 2013 that the Mallory T-Pier project would be funded for the amount requested of \$762,000.00, the funds were not available until July 14, 2014. The project is programmed in FDOT's Fiscal Year 2015 work program. The attached JPA, fully executed, is needed prior to moving forward with the project.

The project cost is estimated at \$1,237,500.00. With Commission approval of the \$762,000.00 FSTED Program funding, the project will be funded by FDOT at approximately 61.5%. FDOT has indicated that if additional FSTED Program funding becomes available, another application could be submitted to potentially bring the level of funding to 75% by FDOT with the City being responsible for the remaining 25% (vs the 38.5% currently).

Key to the Caribbean – Average yearly temperature 77° F.

### PURPOSE AND JUSTIFICATION:

The FSTED Program funding will be used to improve the mooring structures and fenders at the Mallory T-Pier. The Mallory T-Pier does not meet the structural load capacity being placed by cruise ships that are moored there. Improvements will be made to the mooring structures and fenders to take the berthing loads off of the existing T-Pier structure. The north 25% of the pier will be demolished and a new structural mooring dolphin will be constructed in its place. The dolphin will also be utilized for passenger and crew access to the ships. The Mallory T-Pier project may be combined with another City project that involves the replacement of a seawall at the end of Duval Street in anticipation of construction cost savings by combining the two projects. However, only the Mallory T-Pier project is eligible for FSTED Program funding.

### **OPTIONS / ADVANTAGES / DISADVANTAGES:**

- 1. The City Commission can approve the attached Public Transportation Joint Participation Agreement (JPA) between the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) and the City of Key West for a new mooring dolphin at the Mallory T-Pier in an amount not to exceed \$762,000.00.
- 2. The City Commission can choose not to approve the attached JPA. No grant funding would be accepted and the City would be required to fund 100% of the Mallory T-Pier project with an estimated project cost of \$1,237,500.00 or elect not to pursue the project.

### FINANCIAL IMPACT:

The project cost is estimated at 1,237,500.00. City funding for this project is budgeted at 475,500 in 101-1900-519.63-00 / EN1002. FDOT funding is available for up to 762,000.00 and is budgeted in 101-0000-334.90-00 / EN1002.

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends that the City Commission select Option 1, approving attached Public Transportation Joint Participation Agreement (JPA) between the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) and the City of Key West for a new mooring dolphin at the Mallory T-Pier in an amount not to exceed \$762,000.00.