

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- TO: Jim Scholl, City Manager Greg Veliz, Assistant City Manager
- CC: John Paul Castro, Utilities Director Mark Finigan, Finance Director
- FROM: Carolyn Sheldon, Senior Grants Administrator
- **DATE:** March 27, 2017

RE:

Approval and authorization to execute the attached Division of Water Restoration Assistance Grant Agreement (DEP Agreement No. LP44031) with the State of Florida Department of Environmental Protection in an amount up to a maximum of \$400,000.00 for City of Key West Stormwater Improvements. Authorize necessary budget amendments and transfers to accept the funding.

ACTION STATEMENT:

This resolution will approve and authorize the execution of the attached Division of Water Restoration Assistance Grant Agreement (DEP Agreement No. LP44031) with the State of Florida Department of Environmental Protection in an amount up to a maximum of \$400,000.00 for City of Key West Stormwater Improvements. Necessary budget amendment and transfers to accept the funding will be authorized.

BACKGROUND:

In 2008 the State Legislature approved a modification to Section 215.619, Florida Statutes, authorizing the issuance of \$200 million of Everglades restoration bonds for the purpose of implementing the Florida Keys Area of Critical State Concern protection program under sections 380.05 and 380.0552, Florida Statutes. The \$200 million generated by the issuance of these bonds is administered by the Florida Communities Trust (the "Mayfield Grant Funds").

The City entered into an interlocal agreement between the City of Key West, Monroe County, the City of Key Colony Beach, the City of Marathon, the Florida Keys Aqueduct Authority, Key Largo Wastewater Treatment District and Islamorada Village of Islands for state wastewater funding distribution (Resolution 13-067, March 5, 2013). This interlocal agreement details and specifies the "Year

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

Two of Four" distribution of Mayfield Grant Funds that the parties have determined to be, and have agreed would be fair and equitable to all parties. The interlocal agreement was later amended (Resolution 13-235, September 17, 2013) to delete the reference to "Year Two of Four" to replace it with "Year Two of Four," "Year Three of Four," and "Year Four of Four."

PURPOSE AND JUSTIFICATION:

Per the Interlocal Agreement with Monroe County and other agencies/municipalities in the Florida Keys, the City of Key West has been allocated \$400,000.00 for stormwater improvements. This funding will assist with the construction of a stormwater pump station to alleviate localized funding in the low lying neighborhood along Dennis Street, Venetia Street, and Blanch Street.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

With the approval of the Division of Water Restoration Assistance Grant Agreement (DEP Agreement No. LP44031), the City would receive up to a maximum of \$400,000.00 for stormwater improvements to be budgeted in Revenue Account 4020000 3343900. Design costs are budgeted in Account 4023802 5386500, Project ST38021601. Construction costs are budgeted in Account 4023802 5386500.

No matching funds are required.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the City Commission approve the attached Division of Water Restoration Assistance Grant Agreement (DEP Agreement No. LP44031) to receive an amount up to a maximum of \$400,000.00 for stormwater improvements.