



MEMORANDUM

Date: August 8, 2024

To: Honorable Mayor and City Commission

Via: Todd Stoughton
Interim City Manager

From: Steve McAlearney
Interim Assistant City Manager

Subject: (File ID: 24-6184) Approving a task order to Jacobs Engineering Group, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$144,883.80 for design and permitting of an improved Mallory T-Pier

Introduction

Resolution approving a task order to Jacobs Engineering Group, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$144,883.80 for design and permitting of an improved Mallory T-Pier.

Background

The Mallory T-Pier is an extremely important asset to a city at the end of a 120-mile island chain connected to the mainland by 42 bridges. In addition to the revenue it can generate hosting passenger ships, the T-Pier provides obvious usefulness in aiding island recovery in a post-disaster scenario.

In 2018, the City approved a Mallory Square Modernization to Cruise Ship Mooring Facilities Feasibility Study. This study determined that the Mallory T-Pier was “approximately 33 years old, which is nearing the end of its useful life.” State grant funding was subsequently acquired to refurbish the pier. This funding authorized an evaluation to determine the optimal size and layout of pier improvements. The first evaluation, authorized in June 2018 (Res 18-196), studied the pier requirements to host cruise ships up to 750 feet Length Over All (LOA), which the pier had been hosting at that time. An amendment to the original evaluation was authorized in July 2021 (Res 21-139), which eliminated ships larger than the city’s submerged lands lease length of 664 feet LOA.

An additional evaluation was completed following the passage of Resolution 22-073, which limited access to vessels with fewer than 500 passengers and crew combined, and Resolution 23-242, an agreement with Ocean Key Resort that limits the size of ships to be hosted to 514 feet at the waterline. This additional evaluation also specifically considered compatibility with the American Cruise Lines vessel American Glory and the City’s desire to maintain unobstructed waterfront views from Mallory Square.

The task order under consideration is for the design and permitting of the recommended layout of the T-Pier based on this final evaluation.

Procurement

The \$144,883.80 for this task order will come from FDOT grant G1767 and is budgeted in account 101 4302 543 6300 (Infrastructure) under Capital Improvement Plan project number IS 4302 2003.

Recommendation

The City Manager's Office recommends approving a task order to Jacobs Engineering Group, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$144,883.80 for design and permitting of an improved Mallory T-Pier.