

RESOLUTION NO. 05-218

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF KEY WEST, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING A GRANT APPLICATION TO THE MONROE COUNTY TOURIST DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL (TDC) FOR FUNDING UP TO \$548,071.60 FOR SMATHERS BEACH AND REST BEACH CLEANING IN FY 2005-06; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF KEY WEST, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1: That a TDC grant application for up to \$548,071.60 for Smathers Beach and Rest Beach cleaning in FY 2005-06 is hereby authorized.

Section 2: That this Resolution shall go into effect immediately upon its passage and adoption and authentication by the signature of the presiding officer and the Clerk of the Commission.

Passed and adopted by the City Commission at a meeting held this 21st day of June, 2005.

Authenticated by the presiding officer and Clerk of the Commission on June 22, 2005.

Filed with the Clerk June 22, 2005.

  
JIMMY WEEKLEY, MAYOR

ATTEST:



CHERYL SMITH, CITY CLERK



## UTILITIES DEPARTMENT MEMORANDUM EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

**TO:** Julio Avel, City Manager  
**FROM:** Annalise Mannix-Lachner, P.E.  
**VIA:** E. David Fernandez, Utilities Director  
**DATE:** June 13, 2005

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**ACTION STATEMENT:** A resolution approving a grant request for **UP TO \$584,071.60** to the Monroe County Tourist Development Council (TDC) for the purpose of funding annual Smathers and Rest Beach cleaning in FY 2005-06.

**BACKGROUND:**

Smathers and Rest Beaches are important to the city's tourism and therefore the TDC has been funding most of the beach cleaning and daily maintenance costs (7days per week). The last funding contract expires September 30 and a new contract is necessary to allow for any continued funding by the TDC. A resolution permitting application to the TDC for grant funding is required should beach cleaning grant funds be desired for next fiscal year.

**PURPOSE & JUSTIFICATION:**

The City of Key West and TDC fund City of Key West beach cleaning and maintenance activities annually. It is economically beneficial to have the TDC fund much of the seagrass removal on Smathers and Rest Beaches.

The City of Key West went out for a Request for Proposal for beach cleaning services and the highest proposal for full service cleaning by and seaweed disposal is \$584,071.60 per year. The proposals have not yet been fully reviewed and a vendor selected, however, the City is required to present a resolution to the TDC on July 6, 2005 authorizing application.

The requested resolution states only that the city may opt to apply for up to \$584,071.60 for FY 2005-06. This does not state we will apply for that entire amount. The beach cleaning procedure and costs will be evaluated at a meeting on June 15 and will be forwarded to the City Commission promptly.

**OPTIONS:**

The City can apply for this grant, or the City may wish to fully fund the project. The City may decide not to fund the project at all, however, this would not be helpful to beach users.

**FINANCIAL IMPACT:**

If the TDC authorizes a grant award the City will save up to \$584,071.60. The city will continue to fund the bathroom cleaning, afternoon walkway cleaning, and other miscellaneous seaweed cleaning, as well as cleaning at three other City beaches

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends that the City proceed with a grant request for \$584,071.60.