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# **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

TO: Patti McLauchlin, City Manager

Todd Stoughton, Assistant City Manager

**CC:** Kelly Crowe, Utilities Director

Christina Bervaldi, Finance Director

**FROM:** Carolyn Sheldon, Senior Grants Administrator

**DATE:** July 26, 2022

RE: Approving the attached "State of Florida Department of

Economic Opportunity Federally Funded Community Development Block Grant Mitigation Program (CDBG-MIT) Subrecipient Agreement" Number IR043 for construction of the Harris and 10<sup>th</sup> Streets Stormwater Improvements Project in the amount of \$1,376,270 Federal. Authorizing the Mayor to execute the necessary documents; Authorizing the approval and execution of subsequent amendments to this grant agreement that may adjust the grant funding allocations to the City or modify the project scope, upon consent of the City Attorney; and authorizing necessary budget amendments or transfers to

accept the funding.

#### **ACTION STATEMENT:**

This resolution will approve the attached "State of Florida Department of Economic Opportunity Federally Funded Community Development Block Grant Mitigation Program (CDBG-MIT) Subrecipient Agreement" Number IR043 for construction of the Harris and 10<sup>th</sup> Streets Stormwater Improvements Project in the amount of \$1,376,270 Federal. Authorize the Mayor to execute necessary documents, approve and execute subsequent amendments to this grant agreement that may adjust the grant funding allocations to the City or modify the project scope, upon consent of the City Attorney, and authorize necessary budget amendments or transfers to accept the funding.

### **BACKGROUND:**

In April 2018, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) announced the State of Florida, Department of Economic Opportunity (DEO) would receive \$633,485,000 in funding to support long-term mitigation efforts following declared disasters in 2016 and 2017 through HUD's Community Development Block Grant Disaster Recovery(CDBG-MIT) program. Awards were distributed on a competitive basis targeting HUD designated Most Impacted and Distressed (MID) Areas, primarily addressing the Benefits to Low-to-Moderate Income (LMI) National

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Objective. Additional information may be found in the Federal Register, Vol. 84, No. 169.

The Florida Department of Economic Opportunity (DEO) has apportioned the Federal Award to include the following initiatives: Critical Facility Hardening Program \$75,000,000; General Planning Support Program \$20,000,000; General Infrastructure Program \$475,000,000; and State Planning and Administration \$63,485,000. This award has been granted under the General Infrastructure Program.

#### **PURPOSE AND JUSTIFICATION:**

The City of Key West was awarded \$1,376,270 of CDBG-MIT funds to address a low-lying area around Harris and 10<sup>th</sup> Streets of approximately 28.69 acres that collects significant runoff from higher ground. It will protect 122 residential properties in this flood prone area from future damage from storms and flooding. Activities will include installation of stormwater outfall points and tidal valves, construction of a gravity injection well, construction of stormwater inlets, and construction of pollution control structures.

#### STRATEGIC PLAN:

This project supports the Key West Forward Strategic Plan *Priority 2: Adaptation/Sea Level Rise*, Goal 2: Short-Term Critical Projects and Plans - Implement critical projects to mitigate storm and tidal flooding, Action 5 Critical Infrastructure Projects. Goal 4: Partnerships and Linkages to Other Plans – Integrate Sea Level Rise into all relevant long-term plans within the city, and coordinate with other coastal cities in and beyond Florida, Action 2 Integrate SLR into long range plans.

## **FINANCIAL IMPACT:**

With the approval of Grant Agreement Number IR043, the City will receive up to a maximum reimbursement amount of \$1,376,270 for construction of the Harris and 10<sup>th</sup> Streets Stormwater Improvements Project. Grant revenue is budgeted in account 4020000 3313602 (Stormwater Utility / Revenue / FEMA Grant). Expenses are budgeted in account 4023802 5386500 (Stormwater Utility / Construction / Construction in Progress). Project ST38022102.

Design is funded by FEMA Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) funding approved with Resolution 20-157 (August 19, 2020). If the design is approved by FEMA, additional HMGP funding for construction will be awarded.

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends that the City Commission approve the attached "State of Florida Department of Economic Opportunity Federally Funded Community Development Block Grant Mitigation Program (CDBG-MIT) Subrecipient Agreement" Number IR043 for construction of the Harris and 10<sup>th</sup> Streets Stormwater Improvements Project.