



City of Eustis

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TO: EUSTIS CITY COMMISSION

FROM: Tom Carrino, City Manager

DATE: December 9, 2025

RE: Resolution Number 25-107: Authorizing Award of Bid Number 007-25 to GPS Civil Construction Group for Coolidge Street Improvements and Approving an Expenditure in Excess of \$100,000

Introduction:

Resolution Number 25-107 approves an expenditure in excess of \$100,000 for Coolidge Street Roadway construction services and authorizes the City Manager to execute all related agreements.

Background:

Coolidge Street is a non-continuous roadway between Bates Avenue and Getford Road, intersecting seven side streets that have historically experienced limited public and private infrastructure investment. These side streets include Virginia Avenue, Hollywood Avenue, Suanee Avenue, Dixie Avenue, Harlem Avenue, Pine Avenue, and Grant Avenue.

The City Commission approved Resolution 23-83, awarding the contract for Phase 1 of this project, which consisted of installing new water and sewer utilities along Getford Rd and the Coolidge Street corridor. The construction was completed on January 20, 2025. On October 5, 2023, City staff awarded RFQ No. 007-23 to Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc. to design the roadway and stormwater improvements for Coolidge Street and the adjacent side streets. The final Coolidge Street Roadway and Stormwater design was completed and fully permitted on April 16, 2025. In addition, City Engineering Staff completed and fully permitted the design for water and sewer improvements on the seven side streets on July 29, 2025.

The overall improvements along the Coolidge Street corridor and its side streets will include new paved roadways, curbing, sidewalks, stormwater upgrades, fire protection enhancements. The installation of water and sewer service lines will take place on the seven (7) side streets.

Five bids were received by licensed contractors during the November 5, 2025 bid opening for the project. The total base bids from the five contractors ranged from a low of \$6,485,995 to a high of \$10,590,402.14. City staff is confident that they received competitive pricing and reasonable bids. GPS Civil Construction Group submitted the lowest total base bid of \$6,485,995. In reviewing GPS Civil Construction Group's bid package, no deficiencies were noted. Kimley-Horn, the City's Engineer of Record, has completed all required reference checks and evaluations of the submitted bid documents and recommends awarding the construction contract to GPS Civil Construction Group.

The City's Purchasing Policies require that City Commission approve any purchase that exceeds \$100,000.

Recommended Action:

Staff recommends approval of Resolution Number 25-107.

Policy Implications:

Not applicable.

Budget/Staff Impact:

This project is supported by a multi-agency funding strategy, including local, state, and federal partners. Funding partners include the City of Eustis, Lake County, the State of Florida, FDOT, FDEP, and the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program.

State and Federal Funding:

- Coolidge Street Roadway & Stormwater Improvements: To be funded in part by FY 23/24 State Appropriations through FDEP totaling \$1,590,225.
- East-West Streets Roadway, Stormwater & Utility Improvements: To be funded in part by FY 25/26 State Appropriations through FDOT totaling \$1,890,000.
- An additional \$400,000 is provided through federal CDBG funding for eligible improvements.

Local Funding:

Remaining project costs beyond state and federal contributions will be funded through local funds. The approved Fiscal Year 2024-2025 and Fiscal Year 2025-2026 budget has allocated funds of \$7,263,678 as follows:

010-8600-541-60-50	Rosenwald Gardens Roads	\$3,474,100
048-8600-541-60-04	Community Dev. Block Grant	\$400,000
066-8600-535-68-17	Rosenwald 7 Blocks Sewer	\$1,450,000
042-8600-535-66-46	Coolidge Sewer Main Expansion	\$60,600
048-8600-541-60-02	Florida Dept. of Transportation	\$1,878,978

The award bid for the project is \$6,485,995.00, leaving \$777,083.00 in the CIP budget. This remaining amount provides approximately 12% contingency for any unforeseen construction issues. Any funds remaining at the completion of the project will be returned to fund balance. Once the construction project is completed, the City will receive reimbursement from the FY 23/24 and FY 25/26 State Appropriations through FDEP and FDOT, as well as federal reimbursement through CDBG. After all state and federal reimbursements are applied for a total of \$3,880,225, the City's net cost for the project will be \$2,605,770.

Business Impact Estimate:

Not applicable.

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Attachments:

Resolution Number 25-107

Available Upon Request:

GPS Civil Construction Group Proposal for Coolidge Street Roadway and Stormwater
Improvements
Engineer of Record's Recommendation of Award Letter