

## STAFF REPORT

## **Regular Commission Meeting**

May 09, 2024

To: Elected Officials

From: Dale L. Martin, City Manager

**Date:** May 09, 2024

**Item Name:** Resolution 2024- 27, a resolution by the City of Flagler Beach, Florida approving a

proposal from Gravity Services, Inc. to stabilize a watermain and prepare an easement for continued operation of said watermain; providing for conflict and an

effective date.

**Background:** Staff was presented with a survey that illustrated that the City's sixteen-inch watermain on the south side of Moody Boulevard (vicinity of S. Central Avenue) encroaches onto private property. The attached proposal has been provided to the City to shore the watermain in place to allow for the construction of other utilities in close proximity to the encroaching watermain (likely significantly less expensive and disruptive than re-locating the watermain). An easement recognizing the encroachment and providing for the continuing use of the watermain in its current location will be prepared and provided to the City as part of the proposed project.

Based upon a review of the proposed project by Mr. Charles Hill, McKim & Creed, he believes that the proposed shoring will adequately project the existing City watermain during construction and subsequent operation of other new utilities close to the watermain.

**Fiscal Impact:** The cost of the proposal is \$117,458. If accepted, the project costs would be allocated to the Utilities Fund, Water Transmission & Distribution Department, Improvements (Line 401.5332.606300). The current balance of funds available on that line are \$125,000 (originally budgeted for capping/abandoning ineffective watermains in the vicinity of S. 13<sup>th</sup>/14<sup>th</sup>/15<sup>th</sup> Streets).

**Staff Recommendation:** Staff recommends approving the proposed Resolution due to the expediency and cost savings associated with protection of the watermain and acquisition of an appropriate easement.

**Attachments:** Proposed Resolution with Exhibits