

STAFF REPORT

CITY OF GREEN COVE SPRINGS, FLORIDA

TO: City Council Regular Session MEETING DATE: March 4, 2025

FROM: Mike Null, Asst. City Manager

SUBJECT: City Council authorization to submit a Florida Boating Improvement Program (FBIP) grant

application to the FWC to fund completion of the City Pier extension and approval of Resolution R-03-2025, authorizing the City Manager or Assistant City Manager to sign and

submit same. Mike Null

BACKGROUND

In 2020, the City constructed the first phase of the City Pier extension with funding received in a Legislative Line Item (LLI) appropriation. Unfortunately, that funding was not sufficient to complete the project. Recently, the City constructed two additional mooring dolphins to facilitate mooring of large ships, which was partially funded by Clay County Tourism. We applied for the FBIP grant funding and missed the funding categories due to some technicalities with the application process which have been corrected for this year.

The permitting for the pier extension is being renewed and extended currently. The current approved CIP includes \$500,000 in surtax match funding proposed in the FY 25-26 budget year. The budget for the remaining work to extend the City Pier is estimated at \$1,373,000. This grant request in this application is for \$873,000, to be matched with \$500,000 in general fund capital revenue. Attached for reference is a draft of the application that was submitted in March 2024 and will be almost identical for the April 8, 2025 submittal deadline this year.

FISCAL IMPACT

Potential \$873,000 grant with a \$500,000 city match.

RECOMMENDATION

Authorize staff to submit a Florida Boating Improvement Program (FBIP) grant application to the FWC to fund completion of the City Pier extension and approve Resolution R-03-2025, authorizing the City Manager or Assistant City Manager to sign and submit same.