

STAFF REPORT

CITY OF GREEN COVE SPRINGS, FLORIDA

TO: City Council Regular Session

MEETING DATE: July 15, 2025

FROM: Scott Schultz, Asst. Water Utilities Director

SUBJECT: City Council discussion and approval for staff to submit a Request for Inclusion (RFI) to the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (SRF) for funding in the amount of \$5,346,000 for Phase I / Harbor Road WTP of the Potable Water System Improvements Project. Scott Schultz

BACKGROUND

On February 21, 2023, Council approved for staff to submit a Request for Inclusion (RFI) to the FDEP Drinking Water State Revolving Fund for design services for the Magnolia Point Reclaimed Water Improvements. This project is in preparation for compliance with the Surface Water Discharge Elimination Act (Senate Bill 64).

On June 6, 2023, Council approved adding the design of the Potable Water System Improvements to the RFI.

On August 9, 2023, the FDEP-SRF Program approved DW10044 in the amount of \$2,171,400.

On May 7, 2024, Council approved a Consulting Engineers Services Agreement (CESA) with Mittauer & Associates in the amount of \$2,171,400 for permitting and design services for the Magnolia Point Reclaimed Water System and Potable Water System Improvements.

Both tasks were completed in July of 2025. Pending Council approval, staff will be submitting Requests for Inclusion (RFI) for the Magnolia Point Reclaimed Water System to the Clean Water SRF Program and Potable Water System Improvements to the Drinking Water SRF Program.

The Potable Water System Improvements were broken into two projects / phases - improvements to the Harbor Road Water Treatment Plant and improvements to the Reynolds Water Treatment Plant. As the system needs for Reynolds continue to be uncertain, staff will focus on improvements to the Harbor Road WTP. These improvements should enable staff to minimize or eliminate the need for the Clay County Utility Authority (CCUA) to supplement potable water / irrigation to the back (westerly) portions of Magnolia Point which cost the city \$148,000 in Fiscal Year 2024.

FISCAL IMPACT

\$5,346,000 from the Water Capital Improvement Program Budget

RECOMMENDATION

Approve staff to submit a Request for Inclusion (RFI) to the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (SRF) for funding in the amount of \$5,346,000 for Phase I / Harbor Road WTP of the Potable Water System Improvements Project.