



# STAFF REPORT

## CITY OF GREEN COVE SPRINGS, FLORIDA

---

**TO:** City Council Regular Session **MEETING DATE:** August 03, 2021  
**FROM:** Andy Yeager, Electric Director  
**SUBJECT:** Magnolia Point Reconductor Phase 1- Council authorization to award Heart Utility with Phase 1 of installing the backbone feeder for the reconductor project at Magnolia Point in an amount not to exceed \$300,000. *Andy Yeager*

### BACKGROUND

The Electric Department has been gearing up for the Magnolia Point underground conductor replacement project and now we are ready to move forward. After I arrived as the Electric Director, I reviewed the project and then reached out for another review by a contractor, and then I made modifications to the project design and scope. After these changes, I am comfortable with the project and I feel more confident that from now and into the future, the electrical grid in Magnolia Point will be more reliable and we will be able to make switching changes and restore power more quickly. (Something the last design would not have allowed us to do)

We are going to be piggybacking off the current JEA contract (contract number 184918) which was negotiated in 5/2019 and awarded in October 2019 and runs through October 2022. Based on my past experiences with contracts through JEA, this bid was the most competitive one I have ever been a part of and has very small profit margins for the contractor.

This part of the work will be Phase 1 to build what is called a backbone which will support the rest of the subdivision and offer years of dependable service. Soon, we will start building the other phases of the project after the completion of this phase.

Heart Utilities has provided the attached estimate based on the plans. They will bill on actual units of work completed for each line item per the JEA contract. Staff is requesting authorization up to \$300,000 to complete this work for unknowns such as changing bad transformers that may be encountered as work progresses. Again, all work will be billed on actual units completed.

### FISCAL IMPACT

Funds are budgeted for this purchase in the approved FY 21 Electric Department CIP Budget

### RECOMMENDATION

Authorize a Purchase Order to Heart Utilities in an amount not to exceed \$300,000 to provide labor and equipment to install the Backbone Feeder in Phase 1 of our reconductor project in Magnolia Point.