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RE: Tampa Bay Coastal Master Plan -Letter of Support

Dear Ms. Todd,

The City of Madeira Beach City Council Supports the Tampa Bay Regional Planning Council's application for federal funding to develop a coastal master plan for the Tampa Bay Region. As a barrier island Madeira Beach is vulnerable to storm surge and the city realizes the importance of developing strategies to minimize the flood risks to our community. The City of Madeira Beach has been heavily impacted by two (2) flooding events in 2023 which intensifies the need to fortify our infrastructure and risk messaging to our community.

The City of Madeira Beach recognizes the importance of working with our neighboring communities to develop a vision, goals, and policy for further plan development. Madeira Beach is thrilled to be a part of the collaboration for the Coastal Master Plan and would like to thank Tampa Bay Regional Planning Council for including our barrier island.

Sincerely,

Jim Rostek, Mayor City of Madeira Beach

CC: Robin Gomez, City Manager Megan Wepfer, Public Works Director Jenny Rowan, Planning and Zoning Director