

MEMORANDUM

TO: Board of Commissioners

FROM: Robin I. Gomez, City Manager

DATE: January 22, 2025

RE: Grant Writing

Background

The City of Madeira Beach has obtained various grants and will continue to pursue other grants for a variety of City services and capital equipment and uses.

Discussion

The City will continue to research, solicit, coordinate, collaborate, apply, and ultimately look to be awarded numerous grant opportunities to help fund various operational and capital equipment, projects, and services.

Various City staff in collaboration with outside engineering firms, professional organizations, legislative delegations, and others have applied and received various grant awards for:

- 1. Fire Equipment
- 2. Road/Street Projects
- 3. Stormwater resiliency
- 4. Beach maintenance/enhancements

Future Grant Funding:

- 1. Rebuilding MB stormwater resiliency
- 2. Road/Street Projects
- 3. PW Building
- 4. Dog Park
- 5. Recreation Capital
- 6. Utility Undergrounding

The City will continue to apply for grants and work with additional collaborators for industry and general grant funding, including but not limited to:

- 1. Engineers of Record
- 2. FL League of Cities
- 3. City's Lobbyist and their partner, GrantWorks
- 4. City's Master Plan firm Kimley Horn
- 5. Local Government-related partners: Tampa Bay Regional Plan Council, etc
- 6. Professional Organizations: FRPA, ICMA, SHRP, APA

- 7. Other Governments: NOAA, DOT, Grants.gov, etc
- 8. Private Foundations

In addition to the above, City staff will look to incorporate outside grant writing expenses into the grant (administrative costs) whether as a retainer or an hourly cost.