



AGENDA MEMORANDUM

Public Works Department

City Council Regular Meeting Date: December 2, 2025

To: City Council
From: Oisin Dolley, City Engineer
Date: November 19, 2025

SUBJECT: Engineering Services for Clam Bayou- Dinkins Bayou Box Culvert Replacement

BACKGROUND: Hurricane Ian caused damage to the Clam Bayou- Dinkins Bayou Box Culvert because of the increased scour due to the storm surge impacts. As part of the City's hurricane recovery the replacement of this box culvert is necessary to ensure it continues to serve as a water crossing which has crucial impacts on the adjacent water bodies and to the critical evacuation route of Sanibel Captiva Road. This project will be a full replacement of the box culvert using FDEP stormwater funds from the Hurricane Ian Wastewater and Stormwater assistance funds through the state. Public Works staff will seek reimbursement via the FDEP grant for the design and construction costs of this project.

UPDATE: In accordance with the Consultant's Competitive Negotiations Act (CCNA) (Florida Statutes 287.055), the City published a request for proposals to provide engineering services in conjunction with the City's project to replace the Clam Bayou-Dinkins Bayou Box Culvert. Five firms responded to the Request for Qualifications which was published in the Fort Myers News Press on August 18, 2025. On October 27, 2025, the staff selection committee reviewed the five submittals and selected three for oral presentations to staff. On November 18, these three firms made presentations to a staff selection committee consisting of City Engineer Oisin Dolley, Environmental Biologist, Dana Dettmar, and Procurement Manager, Brett Schira. The staff selection committee evaluated the firms based upon criteria set forth for procurement of professional services in accordance with the CCNA.

Based the oral presentations by the firms, the staff selection committee ranked the responding firms as follows:

1. TY Lin International
2. Stantec Consulting Services Inc.
3. Weston and Sampson Engineers Inc.

Public Works staff recommend that the City Council accept the ranking of the selection committee and authorize the City Manager to enter contract negotiations with the top-ranked firm, TY Lin International.

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FUNDING SOURCE: Public Works staff will seek reimbursement via the FDEP Stormwater Repairs, Agreement HA017 grant for the design and construction costs of this project. The FDEP Stormwater Repairs Grant Summary (rounded) table is shown below.

FDEP Stormwater Grant Summary	
FDEP Grant Funding (Total)	\$10,000,000
Expenses or Anticipated Expenses to Date	
Stormwater Master Plan (Actual)	(\$230,000)
City Completed Repairs (Actual)	(\$55,000)
Construction. – Post Ian Stormwater Repair Projects (EZ Contracting LLC)	(\$2,390,379)
Construction Admin.– Post Ian Stormwater Repair Projects (Johnson)	(\$180,350)
Beach Road Weir Rehab – Estimate	(\$750,000)
General Bridge & Box Culvert Repairs – Actual	(\$242,730)
City Planned Repairs - Estimate	(\$200,000)
2025 Sanibel River Clearing Project	(\$94,500)
FDEP Grant Funding (Balance)	\$5,857,041

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Motion for City Council to accept the ranking of the selection committee and authorize the City Manager to enter contract negotiations with the top-ranked firm, TY Lin International.

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