



AGENDA MEMORANDUM

Public Works Department

City Council Regular Meeting Date: December 5, 2023

To: City Council
From: Oisin Dolley, Assistant City Engineer
Date: 11/29/2023

SUBJECT: East Rocks Subdivision Drainage Improvements

UPDATE: : Since the previous City Council meeting, staff has not received any additional requests for information from FDEM/FEMA the review team. The City is now awaiting FEMA's approval of the project plans.

BACKGROUND: The City of Sanibel was approved for Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) funding for the East Rocks Subdivision Drainage Improvement project with a contract execution date of February 21, 2020.

The Phase 1 (design) deliverables were submitted to the Florida Department of Emergency Management (FDEM) on February 4, 2022. City staff has received a broad potential timeline of 20 to 58 weeks for FDEM review and approval to be completed. At this time, City staff is prepared to move forward with bidding, awarding and the construction process once the HMGP review is complete by FDEM. On June 12th, staff received notification that the Period of Performance (construction) deadline has been extended and additional year to February 28, 2026.

Based on the cost estimate received both the Tradewinds and East Rocks drainage projects will be over the original HMGP budget. Staff has applied with FDEM to move HMGP funding from other grant projects (Sanibel Slough Dredging, Beach Rd. Weir, and City Hall Shutters) that will not be completed by the final HMGP Period of Performance deadline. After shifting money from other HMGP grant projects that won't be completed by the POP deadline, the new grant budget breakdown is below:

Project	Total Funding	Federal Funding	Local Share
East Rocks Phase 1	\$40,700.00	\$30,525.00	\$10,175.00
East Rocks Phase 2	\$357,763.13	\$268,322.35	\$89,440.78

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Thus far, staff has been responding to Request for Information (RFI) regularly. At this time the City has completed several RFI's with the first being completed on March 4th and the most recent submitted on February 28th. FDEM has expressed gratitude that City of Sanibel staff is completing RFI expediently and this should keep the review on schedule. The remaining project schedule is as follows:

- **Completion of FDEM review:** 20–58-week review period from 2/4/2022.
- **After FDEM Approval Timeline**
 - **HMGP Phase 2 (construction) Contract Approval & Bidding:** 2 Months
 - **Council Approval of Bid Results:** 1 Month
 - **Issue Notice to Proceed for Construction:** 1 Month
 - **Construction:** 6 months (weather permitting)

FUNDING SOURCE: N/A

RECOMMENDED ACTION: N/A

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