



## AGENDA MEMORANDUM

*Public Works Department*

City Council Regular Meeting Date: October 7, 2025

**To:** City Council  
**From:** Alfred J. Mittl, P.E., Public Works Director  
Jason Goodrich, Deputy Utilities Director  
**Date:** September 24, 2025

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**SUBJECT:** Recommendation of Award – ITB-UT-5-2025/BS  
Pond Apple Park Post Hurricane Ian Pond Bank Restoration

**BACKGROUND:** After Hurricane Ian, the City received \$253,000 in funding from the State of Florida as part of the Hurricane Ian Effluent Disposal Pond Apple Site Repairs grant program under agreement HA034. As part of this funding, the City contracted Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc. to prepare bid documents for the Pond Apple Park Post Hurricane Ian Pond Bank Restoration project, which will repair collapsed sections of the effluent disposal ponds. Once stabilized, vegetation will be planted to reduce the risk of future slope failure.

An Advertisement for bids was placed in the August 18, 2025 edition of the Fort Myers News-Press and with the City's online bid solicitation service, DemandStar. Bid opening was conducted by City Staff on September 18, 2025 at 2:30 PM in the presence of Brett Shira, Procurement Manager and Alfred J. Mittl, P.E., Public Works Director. There were four bids submitted as shown in the attached Bid Tabulation and the bids remain valid for 60 days.

All of the four bidding firms listed are deemed responsive based on the completeness of their proposals, clarity of submission, relevant project experience, and alignment with the project scope.

BlueTerra LLC submitted the lowest bid (\$370,432.43) and included all required documentation outlined in the bid package. City staff contacted several of the references provided, each of which described the contractor as reliable and recommended them for similar work. Their referenced projects include experience with dredging and environmental restoration. Based on these factors, staff recommends awarding the contract to BlueTerra LLC for the Pond Apple Park Post Hurricane Ian Pond Bank Restoration project.

Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc. has a Professional Services Agreement with the City of which was entered into on October 3, 2023 and is valid through September 30, 2028. Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc. will provide construction phase services support to City Public Works staff for this project under an existing task order.

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**FUNDING SOURCE:** Funding requirements for the project are discussed above. The fiscal year 2025 adopted [capital budget](#) includes \$253,000 in Pond Apple Park Post Hurricane Ian Pond Bank Restoration project.

The Tables below summarize:

1. The FY2025 Project Funding Summary illustrates that \$253,000 was appropriated from the \$253,000 FDEP grant for the Hurricane Ian Effluent Disposal Pond Apple Site Repairs project and what has been spent, FY to date, against the FY25 appropriation.
2. The FDEP Hurricane Ian Effluent Disposal Pond Apple Site Repairs Grant Summary illustrates how much of the \$253,000 FDEP grant has been encumbered. The deficit of \$142,392.43 will be funded by the FDEP Hurricane Ian Wastewater Collection System Repairs Grant.
3. The FDEP Hurricane Ian Wastewater Collection System Repairs Grant Summary illustrates how much of the \$10,000,000 FDEP grant has been encumbered.

<b>FY25 Effluent Disposal Pond Apple Site Repairs Project Summary</b>	
<b>FY2025 Adopted Budget – Effluent Disposal Pond Apple Site Repairs (Appropriated FDEP Grant HA034)</b>	<b>\$253,000.00</b>
Engineering – Effluent Disposal Pond Apple Site Repairs (FY25 Actual)	(24,960)
Construction – Pond Apple Park Post Hurricane Ian Pond Bank Restoration	(370,432.43)
<b>FY2025 Budget Balance</b>	<b>\$(142,392.43)</b>

<b>FDEP Effluent Disposal Pond Apple Site Repairs (HA034) UT005</b>	
<b>FDEP Grant Funding (Total)</b>	<b>\$253,000.00</b>
<b>Expenses or Anticipated Expenses to Date</b>	
Engineering – Effluent Disposal Pond Apple Site Repairs (FY25 Actual)	(24,960)
Construction – Pond Apple Park Post Hurricane Ian Pond Bank Restoration	(370,432.43)
<b>FDEP Grant Funding (Balance)</b>	<b>\$(142,392.43)</b>

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<b>FDEP Wastewater Collection System Repairs Grant Summary (HA036) UT004</b>	
<b>FDEP Grant Funding (Total)</b>	<b>\$10,000,000</b>
<b>Expenses or Anticipated Expenses to Date</b>	
Engineering – Tetra Tech CCTV Engineering (Phases 1,2,3) PO-2500165-00	(494,710)
Engineering – Tetra Tech Donax WRF Post Hurricane Ian Repairs	(281,050)
Construction – Post Hurricane Ian Sanitary Sewer Cleaning and CCTV Inspection – Phase 1	(374,650)
Construction – Post Hurricane Ian Sanitary Sewer Cleaning and CCTV Inspection – Phase 2	(565,375)
Construction – Post Hurricane Ian Sanitary Sewer Cleaning and CCTV Inspection – Phase 3	(587,010)
Construction – Pond Apple Park Post Hurricane Ian Pond Bank Restoration	(142,392.43)
<b>FDEP Grant Funding (Balance)</b>	<b>\$7,554,812.57</b>

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

Motion to approve a contract with BlueTerra LLC in the amount of \$370,432.43 for the Pond Apple Park Post Hurricane Ian Pond Bank Restoration project and authorize the City Manager to execute the contract.

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This project will repair the entire perimeter (approximately 900 linear feet) of effluent disposal Pond 3 collapsed slopes. Slope soils that eroded into Pond 3 will be dredged from the interior of Pond 3 and placed onto the slopes to establish uniform 3:1 side slopes. Bayside Dredging was contracted in August 2024 to perform initial slope stabilization using this method.



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A cellular geotechnical grid will be placed on the slopes and filled with soil dredged from Pond 3. Once stabilized, vegetation will be planted to further reduce the risk of future slope failure.



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Public Works staff recently installed new rope and bollard fencing around the entire perimeter of effluent disposal Pond 3. The Contractor will remove the new rope and bollard, protect, and then reinstall this fencing which is not anchored in concrete.



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