

TOWN OF PALM BEACH

Information for Town Council Meeting on: October 10, 2019

TO: Mayor and Town Council

VIA: Kirk W. Blouin, Town Manager

FROM: H. Paul Brazil, P. E., Director of Public Works

RE: Approve a Purchase Order to Woods Hole Group for Coastal Resilience Implementation Plan
Resolution No. 118-2019

DATE: September 24, 2019

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Town staff recommends that Town Council approve Resolution No. 118-2019 approving a purchase order to Woods Hole Group (WHG), for developing an implementation plan for coastal resilience in the amount of \$104,724.50 and establishing a total budget for the Coastal Resilience Implementation Plan of \$120,000.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Following a two (2) year effort to complete the Town's Coastal Flood Vulnerability Assessment, WHG presented their findings to the Town Council on February 14, 2019, and submitted the final report in March 2019. The purpose of the vulnerability assessment was to identify Town infrastructure that has a flooding risk due to future storm surge impacts from tropical storms or hurricanes including projected rising sea levels. One of the recommendations from the vulnerability assessment was to develop an implementation plan using the output from the assessment to define specific action items and timing to optimize resilience and cost-effectiveness.

WHG provided the Town with a proposal on September 23rd to develop the implementation plan. The proposal outlines the development of a plan that will identify actions to be taken during three (3) different timelines: those that will be short-term to address today's risk, those that are less urgent within the next 10-year planning cycle, and those in the longer term that look beyond the next 10-years depending upon how climate evolves. Development of the implementation plan is expected to take approximately nine (9) months.

FUNDING/FISCAL IMPACT

This work has been included in the Town Council approved FY2020 Coastal Management Program budget.

PURCHASING REVIEW

This item has been reviewed by the Purchasing Division and approved as recommended.

TOWN ATTORNEY REVIEW

This Resolution has been reviewed and approved by the Town Attorney for legal form and sufficiency.

Attachments

cc: Jane Le Clainche, Director of Finance
Patricia Strayer, P.E., Town Engineer
Robert Weber, Coastal Program Manager
Dean Mealy, Purchasing Manager
Bob Hamilton, Woods Hole Group