

TOWN OF PALM BEACH

Information for Town Council Meeting on: April 15, 2020

TO: Mayor and Town Council

VIA: Kirk W. Blouin, Town Manager

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

RE: Florida Inland Navigation District Grant Application for Town Marina Project
Resolution No. 27-2020

DATE: April 1, 2020

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Town staff recommends that the Town Council approve Resolution No. 27-2020, authorizing the Mayor to sign a Resolution supporting the Town's grant application for Florida Inland Navigation District (FIND), funding assistance for the construction costs associated with the Town of Palm Beach Town Docks Replacement Project.

GENERAL INFORMATION

During the FIND Waterways Assistance Program (WAP) process in 2019, the Town was awarded up to \$3,062,000 in matching funds for the Town Marina Project. This project is eligible for one more annual request for cost-sharing through FIND.

According to 66B-2.008, Florida Administrative Code, F.A.C., for financial assistance and support from FIND, eligible governmental agencies shall require equal matching funds, at a minimum, from the project sponsor. The Town's submittal will request 50% cost sharing, or \$13,422,000, for the remaining \$26,844,000 construction cost after the cost from the 2019 cost-share were considered. Town staff recognizes that each respective county is allotted a certain amount of funding each year for cost sharing through FIND's WAP. This amount will be determined in the summer time prior to the Town's presentation before the commission. Once the amount has been determined, the Town can adjust this request accordingly. Although the Town was successful in receiving in excess of \$3 million in 2019, FIND participation from other Marina Projects suggest that the cost sharing could be on the order of \$1 to \$2 million each year through two successive grant cycles.

Resolution No. 27-2020 authorizes the Mayor to sign the attached FIND resolution supporting submittal of the grant application.

Attachments

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