

TOWN OF PALM BEACH

Information for Town Council Meeting on: September 14, 2021

TO: Mayor and Town Council

VIA: Kirk W. Blouin, Town Manager

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

RE: Authorization for State Grant No. 22PB8
Phipps Ocean Park Beach Nourishment
Resolution No. 118-2021

DATE: August 19, 2021

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Town staff recommends that Town Council approve Resolution No. 118-2021 authorizing the Mayor to sign the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) Agreement 22PB8 for State cost sharing participation in the amount of \$19,500 for reimbursement of the 2020-2021 Phipps Ocean Park Beach Nourishment Project-related monitoring.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Each year the Town provides a Local Government Funding Request (LGFR) to the FDEP for projects that are eligible for State cost sharing. The LGFR includes specific project details that are each assigned scores. The scores are tallied and the projects are ranked in competition with other statewide requested projects. Florida Legislature determines the size of the annual appropriation that is assigned to projects on the ranked list. The Phipps Ocean Park Beach Nourishment Project sufficiently scored on the ranked list to be included for reimbursement within the FY 2021-2022 approved State budget.

During the past two (2) annual request cycles, the Town has received more than \$1 million in reimbursement from FDEP for construction and monitoring cost-sharing of the recently completed Phipps Ocean Park Beach Nourishment Project, which was also cost-shared by FEMA at 75% total project costs. After FEMA and FDEP cost-sharing, the nearly \$9 million Reach 7 sand placement project had a net cost to the Town of just over \$1 million.

FUNDING/FISCAL IMPACT

State funds will reimburse the Town \$19,500 for eligible costs associated with monitoring of the 2020-2021 Phipps Ocean Park Beach Nourishment Project.

TOWN ATTORNEY REVIEW

This Resolution has been reviewed and approved by the Town Attorney for legal form and sufficiency. In addition, the Town's Attorney will review the FDEP contract and approve for legal form and sufficiency prior to execution.

Attachments

cc: Shore Protection Board
Jane Le Clainche, Director of Finance
Dean Mealy, Purchasing Manager
Robert Weber, Coastal Program Manager