

TOWN OF PALM BEACH

Information for Town Council Meeting on: August 13, 2024

TO: Mayor and Town Council

VIA: Kirk W. Blouin, Town Manager

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

RE: Authorization for Amendment No. 1 to State Grant No. 23PB4
Phipps Ocean Park Beach Nourishment Project
Resolution No. 091-2024

DATE: July 17, 2024

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Town staff recommends that Town Council approve Resolution No. 091-2024 authorizing the Mayor to sign the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) Amendment No. 1 to Agreement 23PB4 for State cost sharing participation in the additional amount of \$1,330,320 for reimbursement of the design and permitting costs for the Phipps Ocean Park Beach Nourishment project.

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 2022-2023 approved State budget for \$141,375, and now as part of this Amendment under the FY 2023-2024 and FY 2024-2025 budgets under Beach Management Funding Assistance for an additional \$1,330,320, for a combined total of \$1,471,695. The required local match amount is \$2,344,941.41. This Amendment No. 1 also extends the grant expiration by twelve (12) months to December 31, 2026.

FUNDING/FISCAL IMPACT

State funds will reimburse the Town \$1,471,695 for eligible costs, 38.56% of the eligible project cost of the design and permitting for the Phipps Ocean Park Beach Nourishment Project. The Town's required match is \$2,344,941.41, which is programmed in the Coastal fund.

TOWN ATTORNEY REVIEW

This format has been utilized by the Town in previous recommendations and was approved by the Town Attorney. In addition, the Town's Attorney will review the FDEP amendment and approve for legal form and sufficiency prior to execution.

Attachment

cc: Shore Protection Board
Bob Miracle, Deputy Town Manager
Dean Mealy, Procurement and Contract Manager
Joanne M. O'Connor, Town Attorney