

City of Gainesville

City Hall 200 East University Avenue Gainesville, Florida 32601

Legislation Text

File #: 140802., Version: 1

Grant Application to St. Johns River Water Management District - FY 2015-2016 Cost Sharing Funding Program (B)

This item is a request for approval for Public Works to submit a grant application to the St. Johns River Water Management District's FY 2015-2016 Cost Sharing Funding Program.

On December 15, 2014, the St. Johns River Water Management District (SJRWMD) announced the availability of approximately \$15 million in cost-share funding for projects that conserve water, contribute to developing alternative water supplies and sources, or improve surface water quality. The purpose of the grant funds is to support District strategic priorities that clean up waterways and provide for enhanced water supplies with a focus on water conservation.

Public Works desires to submit an application for the NE 2nd Street Reconstruction and Stormwater Pocket Park Project, which is currently at the 60% design phase. This project supports water quality initiatives and is only partially funded. The Public Works Department is requesting authorization to submit for the SJRWMD Grant for cost sharing of the project.

The SJRWMD funding request is for \$493,945.86. If the grant is awarded, the SJRWMD's share of the awarded project would not exceed 33% of the total project construction cost. The estimated project cost of the project is \$1,796.985.79. Funding in the amount of \$1,145,733 is available in the Capital Improvement Program.

The City Commission: 1) authorize the City Manager or designee to submit an application with the St. Johns River Water Management District Cost Sharing Funding Program for the NE 2nd Street Reconstruction and Stormwater Pocket Park Project; and 2) if the grant is awarded, authorize the City Manager to execute all related documents, subject to approval by the City Attorney as to form and legality.