# 2025 PROPOSED FEDERAL LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM

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CITY OF PORT ST. LUCIE FEDERAL DELEGATION

# FEDERAL APPROPRIATIONS SECURED & PENDING

#### Awarded:

- Design SW California from Del Rio Blvd to SLW Blvd: \$2,000,000
- McCarty Ranch Water Quality 7A Construction: \$1,000,000

#### **Pending**

- Real-Time Information Crime Center: \$600,000
- Westport Wastewater Treatment Facility: \$3,000,000



- St. Lucie River/C-23 Water Quality Project at McCarty Ranch Funding, Federal Permitting and Partnerships to Advance Project
- Rangeline Road Reverse Osmosis Water Treatment plant
- Advance Key Transportation
- Marshall Parkway/I-95 Interchange Study
- Real-Time Public Safety Operations Center
- Southern Grove & City Jobs Corridor
- Walton & One Revitalization
- Land Acquisition

# WATER QUALITY/WATER SUPPLY

# ST. LUCIE RIVER/C-23 WATER QUALITY PROJECT AT MCCARTY RANCH FUNDING, FEDERAL PERMITTING AND PARTNERSHIPS TO ADVANCE PROJECT

#### **REQUESTS:**

- The City is seeking federal appropriations to support the St. Lucie River/C-23 Water Quality Project at McCarty Ranch.
- The City is seeking federal partnerships, including opportunities to expedite permitting, to advance completion of the project, and improve water quality on the C-23 Canal and St. Lucie River.
- The City is seeking partnerships and funding to potentially purchase additional land for the project and other water quality projects.

## RANGELINE ROAD REVERSE OSMOSIS WATER TREATMENT PLANT

**REQUESTS:** \$6 million to support design/build of this critical treatment plant.

## TRANSPORTATION

# ADVANCE KEY TRANSPORTATION CORRIDORS

- Benefit: Federal investment will accelerate the construction of key transportation corridors necessary to support the City's infrastructure and serve the growing city
- Request: The City is seeking federal appropriations support for the following roadways:
  - SW California Boulevard Planning (currently included in the FY 24 Proposed House Budget) and Construction
  - St. Lucie West Boulevard Planning and Construction

# MARSHALL PARKWAY/ I-95 INTERCHANGE STUDY

- Request: Support for study/conceptual plan
- The Marshall Parkway/I95 interchange is a future interchange that requires studies, state approval and designated funding. The City supports advancing funding to begin to evaluate the interchange given the growing population.

## **PUBLIC SAFETY**

#### **REAL-TIME PUBLIC SAFETY OPERATIONS CENTER**

- Request: Support for Planning/Design
- This project would include a dedicated Emergency Operations Center, Realtime Crime Center and Traffic Operations Center to advance City traffic operations, improve our ability to effectively respond to the 250,000 residents in the City's 121 square miles and remain the safest large city in Florida.

### ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

# SOUTHERN GROVE & CITY JOBS CORRIDOR

- Benefit: The City's Jobs Corridor in Southern Grove is generating new jobs and opportunities in Port St. Lucie, a key priority of the City Council. The City is also seeking to develop job corridors in other locations of the City.
- Request: The City of Port St Lucie is seeking funding assistance for roadway and other infrastructure improvement projects in the City's current and future jobs corridors through available federal sources to advance job creation and economic development.

# WALTON & ONE REVITALIZATION

- Benefit: The Walton & One project is a 46acre mixed use redevelopment project located on U.S. I in Port St. Lucie. Walton & One is planned as a multi-year redevelopment project to create a vibrant, walkable destination consisting of retail, restaurant, and residential uses.
- Request: The City of Port St Lucie will seek federal grant assistance to support implementation of the Master Plan where federal priorities align.

## PARKS & RECREATION

#### LAND ACQUISITION FOR NEIGHBORHOOD GREEN SPACES

 The City is exploring acquiring parcels in areas outside of any 10-minute walking distance to a park in an area with high-population density. Acquisition would preserve and expand the tree canopy and provide high-performance public spaces.

# OTHER KEY FEDERAL REQUESTS

- U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) Safe Streets and Roads For All (SS4A) Grant Program
- U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) Strengthening Mobility and Revolutionizing Transportation (SMART) Grant Program
- Parks & Recreation: Outdoor Recreation Legacy Partnership (ORLP) Program
- Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE) Grant
- U.S Department of Transportation (DOT) Charging and Fuel Infrastructure Program
- Indian River Lagoon-South (IRL-S)/Comprehensive Everglades Restoration Plan (CERP)
- Veteran's Mental Health
- Maintaining funding for federal programs including the Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF),
  Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), and funding for any City federal or state grant
  application
- Expand eligibility of FEMA's Community Disaster Resilience Zones program to include Port St. Lucie, in order to receive targeted assistance for Hazard Resilience.
- Support opportunities for direct funding to cities such as direct funding to support cybersecurity



- National Park Service Outdoor Recreation Legacy Partnership Grant (up to \$5 million, I:I match requires state participation)
- National Park Service (through State) Land & Water Conservation Fund
- U.S. Department of Transportation RAISE Grant
- U.S. Department of Justice Community Policing Development Microgrant (\$50,000) or Technology Microgrant for Training Facility
- Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) for Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities (BRIC)
- U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) Safe Streets and Roads for All Grant Program
- U.S. Department of Transportation Strengthening Mobility and Revolutionizing Transportation (SMART) Grant Program
- National Endowment for the Arts Our Town (up to \$200,000), Grants for Arts (\$200,000) – Implementation of Awarded Grants, Seeking Additional Funding
- Federal Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities (BRIC) Grant (through State)
- Federal Emergency Management Agency (through State) Hazard Mitigation Grants
- Economic Development Administration Public Works (up to \$3 million) if eligible project
- U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Building Blocks Technical Assistance

## **GRANTS UPDATE**

- Awarded \$22,720,228 in state and federal grants from FY 23.24 to date
- Grants are addressed collaboratively through the Grants & Advocacy Team
- Key Federal and State Grants Awarded:
  - USDA Forest Service Urban and Community Forestry Grow Green Grant: \$1,000,000
  - HUD Thriving Communities Technical Assistance Grant: \$1,000,000
  - FDEP Protecting Florida Together for Westport Wastewater Treatment Facility: \$8,267,239
  - FDEP FL Recreation Development Assistance Program: \$200,000

# PROGRAMS WE ARE SUPPORTING







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# DISCUSSION/QUESTIONS?