

MEMORANDUM

TO: Governing Board Members

FROM: Ernie Barnett, Director, Office of Policy and Legislation

DATE: January 8, 2007

SUBJECT: City of Marco Island - Septic Tank Replacement Program; Contract 4600000628

Background:

The City is undertaking an Island-wide septic tank replacement program over a 7 year time frame. A total of 15 sewer Districts have been established. The overall septic tank replacement program cost is approximately \$70,000,000. A total of approximately 5,700 new properties will be added to the existing system.

This project includes the installation of a new sewer system in the Tigertail and South Barfield sewer Districts and the design of sewer systems for the North Barfield, West Winterberry and North Marco sewer Districts (Year 2 Districts).

The City of Marco Island is requesting a grant for the construction of the sewer system in the Tigertail and South Barfield sewer districts that are scheduled to be completed by March 2007. The total estimated engineering, construction and administrative cost for these two Districts is \$4,280,000. In addition, the City is under design for the next three Districts at an estimated cost of \$785,000. The BCB Board FY07 Budget has \$2,000,000 earmarked for this project.

How this helps meet the District's 10-year Strategic Plan:

The project has been formulated to conform to the District's mission elements of water resources conservation.

Funding Source:

The total cost of the project is \$5,065,000, of which the District's total contribution is not to exceed \$2,000,000 for which dedicated BCB funds are budgeted for FY07.

This Board item impacts what areas of the District, both resource areas and geography:

The project benefits the water resources of the City of Marco Island in Big Cypress Basin.

What concerns could this Board item raise?

The Board may be concerned about the City's ability to complete this contract within the fiscal year. Individual projects were identified, scoped and budgeted to fit within the coming fiscal year. The Big Cypress Basin staff is confident that these projects will be completed within FY07.

Why should the Governing Board approve this item?

Approval of this contract contributes to the accomplishment of the goals of the Lower West Coast Water Resources Conservation Plan in a way that leverages District funds by sharing costs with the City of Marco Island and fosters continued partnership with the City in achieving mutual objectives related to the management of water resources in the Region.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call me at ext. 2110.