



Brevard County Board of County Commissioners

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Legislation Text

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Subject:

Approval, Re: Tourist Development Council (TDC) FY 2021-2022 Tourism + Lagoon Grant Program, additional funding for the City of Satellite Beach Samsons Island Submerged Lands Restoration Project - Phase 2 Project

Fiscal Impact:

FY 2021-2022: Additional funding of \$16,262 from the TDC Beach Improvement fund # 1442

Dept/Office:

Tourism Development Office

Requested Action:

It is requested the Brevard County Board of County Commissioners approve the Tourist Development Council FY 2021-2022 TDC Tourism + Lagoon Grant Program Guidelines request for additional funding for project - City of Satellite Beach Samsons Island Submerged Lands Restoration - Phase 2. It is also requested that the Board approve additional funding of the FY 2021-2022 City of Satellite Beach Samsons Island Submerged Lands Restoration - Phase 2 project in the amount of \$16,262.

Further, request that the Board make the legislative findings: (1) the Indian River Lagoon is an estuary with multiple public access points for tourism purposes and a long history of use by tourists, and (2) each project specifically improves, maintains, re-nourishes, restores, protects or assists with erosion control in either the Indian River, the Banana River, or the Mosquito Lagoon (all part of the Indian River Lagoon); and (3) each project is authorized purpose for the expenditure of Tourist Development Tax revenue under section 125.0104 (5)(a)5, Florida Statutes and section 102119(4)(a) of the Brevard County Code of Ordinances.

Additionally, it requested that the Tourism Development Office Director be authorized to negotiate and sign all necessary grant agreements and related documents upon County Attorney Office, Risk Management and Purchasing Services approval.

Summary Explanation and Background:

The FY 2021-2022 Tourism + Lagoon Grant Program projects approved by the Brevard County Board of County Commissioners on August 24, 2021. The project the City of Satellite Beach Samsons Island Submerged Lands Restoration Project Phase 2 was approved for the amount of \$117,000 with a \$122,500 match for total project cost of \$239,500. Due to unforeseen increase in costs an additional \$16,262 is being requested to complete the project. These Tourism + Lagoon Grant projects are verified by the County Attorney's Office to be viable projects to receive support with Tourist Development Tax dollars per State Statute and local ordinance. Reimbursable grant awards are available to support projects that benefit tourism on the Space Coast and promote the health of the Indian River Lagoon. These Tourism + Lagoon Grant Program projects are approved and supported through the Beach Improvement Committee plan.

The Beach Improvement Committee at their March 29, 2022 meeting, and the Tourist Development Council at their April 27, 2022 meeting, voted unanimously to recommended the Board to approve the requested additional funding for the FY 2021-2022 TDC Tourism + Lagoon Grant Program City of Satellite Beach Samsons Island Submerged Lands Restoration Project Phase 2 as well as make the necessary legislative findings. Attached, is a copy of a letter from the City of Satellite Beach.

Clerk to the Board Instructions:

Please return a memo of the Board's action to the Tourism Development Office and CAO.