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# CITY OF OCALA

## CITY COUNCIL REPORT

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Council Meeting Date: 12/03/19

Subject: FDEP Grant Agreement Number LPA0066

Submitted By: Sean Lanier

Department: Engineering

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**STAFF RECOMMENDATION** (Motion Ready): Approve Agenda Item (ID # 14035) grant agreement No. LPA0066 with the Florida Department of Environmental Protection for the nutrient reduction project with a filtration system at three individual locations in the amount of \$600,000

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**OCALA'S RELEVANT STRATEGIC GOALS:** Quality of Place

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**PROOF OF PUBLICATION:** N/A

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### **BACKGROUND:**

The City applied for a grant through Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) to reduce pollutants in surface water. The grant awarded will install a combination of accepted and innovative best management practices (BMPs) to meet the nutrient reduction requirement of the Silver Springs, Silver Springs Group and Upper Silver River Basin Management Action Plan (BMAP). This includes the installation of three SkimBoss™ Filtration Systems using Bold & Gold™ Media on the outfalls into four drainage wells for the reduction of nutrient loading to the Floridan Aquifer.

This grant addresses the installation of Suntree SkimBoss filtration systems using Bold & Gold™ Media at three individual recharge wells north and south of US 27 in the North Magnolia Business District and one SkimBoss™ Filtration Systems using Bold & Gold™ Media at Caldwell's Pond on SE 11th Ave.

### **FINDINGS AND CONCLUSIONS:**

The project is necessary to help Ocala meet the nutrient reduction requirement of the BMAP and to restore drainage capacity in drainage retention areas. Therefore, staff recommends approval.

### **FISCAL IMPACT:**

The total estimated cost of the project is \$600,000. Florida Department of Environmental Protection agrees to provide the City an amount not to exceed \$600,000. The City has no match requirement.

Funds will be appropriated into account number 158-050-371-538-69-65010.

**PROCUREMENT REVIEW:** This agreement has been reviewed and approved in compliance with the City's procurement policies.

**LEGAL REVIEW:** The agreement has been reviewed and approved as to form and legality by the Assistant City Attorney, Robert W. Batsel, Jr.

### **ALTERNATIVE:**

Approve  
Deny  
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### **SUPPORT MATERIALS:**

2019-9.27 Agreement Doc for sign (PDF)