



April 9, 2025

RE: LMS Annual Report and Progress of City Mitigation Projects.

Dear Madam President, Honorable Mayor, and Members of the Council:

For your information, I present the attached 2024 annual report for the Marion County Local Mitigation Strategy (LMS) with its attachments.

On the 2024 LMS Prioritized Project List, 2021-03, DRA 222 Flood Relief project is listed for the City. The city has proceeded with procurement of the parcel for expansion of an existing DRA and the project is currently in design.

Following Hurricane Irma, in August of 2018, the City of Ocala received funding for construction of the following LMS mitigation projects from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) through the Public Assistance Hazard Mitigation Grant.

- Lift Station Generators and Manhole Lid Improvements
- Fisher Park Lift Station Generator and Flood Project
- Northeast 16<sup>th</sup> Avenue Drainage

Construction started on Northeast 16<sup>th</sup> Avenue Drainage project on July 15, 2024, and the project was completed in October of 2024. We have requested the final inspection from FDEM this month. We started the construction of the Lift Station Generators and Manhole Lid Improvements project on April 16, 2023 and issued substantial completion in March of this year. The Fisher Park Lift Station Generator and Flood Project started construction on March 11, 2024, and is near completion, with the DRA expansion complete and the generator installation in progress.

Very Respectfully,

Sean Lanier, P.E., CFM City Engineer/Director