

RESOLUTION NO. 26-2196

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF MIAMI LAKES, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE TOWN MANAGER TO SUBMIT A GRANT APPLICATION TO THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION UNDER THE FY 2026-2027 WATER QUALITY IMPROVEMENT GRANT PROGRAM, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED ONE MILLION FOUR HUNDRED THIRTY-SIX THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED AND TWENTY DOLLARS (\$1,436,920.00), FOR THE FLORINDA ESTATES DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT; AUTHORIZING THE TOWN MANAGER TO ACCEPT THE GRANT AWARD AND EXECUTE THE GRANT AGREEMENT AND ALL RELATED DOCUMENTS, IF AWARDED; PROVIDING FOR A LOCAL MATCH IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED THREE HUNDRED FIFTY-NINE THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED AND THIRTY DOLLARS (\$359,230.00) FROM THE STORMWATER FUND; PROVIDING FOR INCORPORATION OF RECITALS; PROVIDING FOR AUTHORIZATION; PROVIDING FOR IMPLEMENTATION; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (“DEP”) administers the Water Quality Improvement Grant Program, which provides funding to Florida’s governmental entities to address wastewater, stormwater, and agricultural sources of nutrients in waterbodies that are not attaining nutrient or nutrient-related standards, that have an established total maximum daily load, or that are located within a basin management action plan area, a reasonable assurance plan area, an accepted alternative restoration plan area, or a rural area of opportunity under Section 288.0656, Florida Statutes; and

WHEREAS, DEP is soliciting project proposals for the use of FY 2026-2027 Water Quality Improvement Grant Program funds; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Miami Lakes (the “Town”) desires to submit an application for the Florinda Estates Drainage Improvements Project (the “Project”); and

WHEREAS, the Project consists of flood mitigation activities, including the design, permitting, and construction of a drainage system, the milling and resurfacing of roadway, and the replacement of existing signing and pavement markings along N.W. 140th Lane, N.W. 138th Street, N.W. 139th Terrace, N.W. 88th Place and N.W. 139th Street, all as more particularly depicted in the Project location map attached hereto and incorporated herein as Exhibit “A”; and

WHEREAS, the total estimated cost of the Project is One Million Seven Hundred Ninety-Six Thousand One Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$1,796,150.00), and the Program requires a twenty percent (20%) local cost share, such that the Town would request grant funding in an amount not to exceed One Million Four Hundred Thirty-Six Thousand Nine Hundred And Twenty Dollars (\$1,436,920.00) and would be responsible for a local match in an amount not to exceed Three Hundred Fifty-Nine Thousand Two Hundred Thirty Dollars (\$359,230.00); and

WHEREAS, if awarded, construction is anticipated to commence in FY 2027-2028, and the Town's local match would be budgeted in the Stormwater Fund for FY 2028-2029; and

WHEREAS, the ongoing maintenance of the drainage system is estimated at approximately Four Thousand One Hundred Twenty-Seven Dollars (\$4,127.00) every three (3) years for the cleaning of drains and pipes, which maintenance would be funded from the Stormwater Fund; and

WHEREAS, grant funds are disbursed on a reimbursement basis, and the Town, as recipient, would be subject to reporting and invoicing requirements, audit and monitoring by DEP, responsibility for the maintenance of any portion of the Project constructed under the grant agreement for its useful life, and compliance with all applicable federal and state guidelines, procedures, and regulations; and

WHEREAS, flooding is one of the predominant issues faced throughout the Town, and heavy rainfall events result in flooding of residential roadways, unsafe transportation conditions, breeding conditions for mosquitoes, and potential property damage to residential homes; and

WHEREAS, the Project will increase the Town's capacity to collect and treat stormwater runoff before it enters impaired waterways, thereby protecting and enhancing the safety and quality of life of the residents of the Town; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council finds that the submission of the grant application, the acceptance of grant funds if awarded, and the commitment of the required local match serve a valid public purpose and are in the best interest of the health, safety, and welfare of the residents of the Town.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF MIAMI LAKES, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Recitals Adopted. The foregoing recitals are true and correct and are hereby ratified, confirmed, and incorporated herein by this reference as if fully set forth in this Section.

Section 2. Authorization to Apply. The Town Council hereby authorizes the Town Manager, or designee, to prepare and submit an application to the Florida Department of Environmental Protection under the FY 2026-2027 Water Quality Improvement Grant Program, in an amount not to exceed One Million Four Hundred Thirty-Six Thousand Nine Hundred And Twenty Dollars (\$1,436,920.00) to assist in funding the Florinda Estates Drainage Improvements Project, together with all supporting documentation, certifications, and assurances required in connection therewith. In the event the application is approved and funding is awarded, the Town Manager, or designee, is hereby authorized to accept the grant funds and to execute the grant agreement and any and all related documents, amendments, modifications, certifications, assurances, reports, and reimbursement requests necessary to effectuate the purposes of this Resolution, each subject to approval as to form and legal sufficiency by the Town Attorney.

Section 3. Local Match; Expenditure of Funds. The Town Council hereby commits a local match in an amount not to exceed Three Hundred Fifty-Nine Thousand Two Hundred Thirty Dollars (\$359,230.00) to be budgeted and appropriated from the Stormwater Fund for FY 2027-2028, and authorizes the Town Manager, or designee, to expend budgeted funds in connection with the Project and to take all necessary steps to implement the terms and conditions of the grant agreement. The obligations of the Town under this Resolution are subject to budgeting and appropriation by the Town Council in the applicable fiscal year budget.

Section 4. Effective Date. This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon adoption.

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The foregoing resolution was offered by Vice Mayor Morera who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Garcia and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

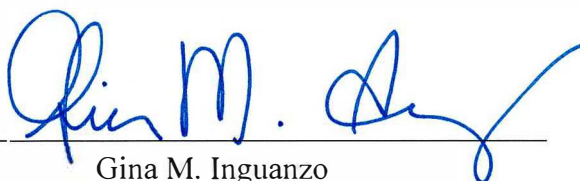
Mayor Joshua Dieguez	Yes
Vice Mayor Bryan Morera	Yes
Councilmember Juan Carlos Fernandez	Yes
Councilmember Angelo Cuadra Garcia	Yes
Councilmember Ray Garcia	Yes
Councilmember Steven Herzberg	Yes
Councilmember Alex Sanchez	Yes

Passed and adopted this 18th day of August 2026.



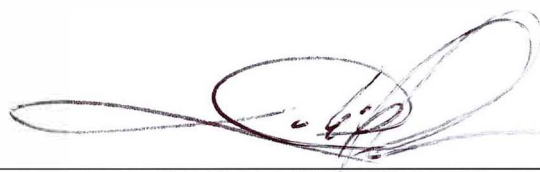
Joshua Dieguez
MAYOR

Attest:



Gina M. Inguanzo
TOWN CLERK

Approved as to form and legal sufficiency:



Lorenzo Cobiella
Gastesi, Lopez Mestre and Cobiella, PLLC
Deputy Town Attorney



TOWN OF MIAMI LAKES MEMORANDUM

To: Honorable Mayor and Town Councilmembers

From: Edward Pidermann, Town Manager

Subject: Florida Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) FY 2026-27 Water Quality Improvement Grant Program- Florinda Estates

Date: August 18, 2026

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Town Council authorize the Town Manager to apply for the FY 2026-27 Water Quality Improvement Grant Program to assist in providing funding for the **Florinda Estates Drainage Improvements Project**; in an amount not to exceed \$1,436,920, and if funded, to authorize the Town Manager to accept grant funds, execute the grant agreements, take all necessary steps to implement the terms and conditions of the agreements, and expend budgeted funds in connection with the Resilient Florida Grant Program.

Key Grant Information

Total Project Cost	The Total cost is estimated to be \$1,796,150 This program requires a 20% cost share with \$1,436,920 coming from state funds and \$359,230 coming from the Town match
Grant Source	Florida Department of Environmental Protection
Town Funding Source	There is a 20% local match required paid for from the stormwater fund.
Funding Timeline	Project is anticipated to begin construction in FY27/28.
Notable Grant Conditions	• This grant will be on a reimbursement basis and subject to reporting and invoicing requirements. • The awardee is subject to audits or monitoring by the department • The recipient is responsible for maintenance of any portion of the project constructed under the grant agreement for its useful life. • The recipient will comply with all applicable federal guidelines, procedures, and regulations.

Maintenance Obligations	The recipient is responsible for maintenance of the facility to be done at our discretion, complying with all applicable regulations.
Estimated Operating and Maintenance Costs and their funding source	The maintenance on this drainage system will cost approximately \$4,127 every 3 years for the cleaning of the drains and pipes. This will be paid for from the stormwater fund.

Background

The Florida Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) is seeking project proposals for use of FY 2026-27 Water Quality Improvement Grant Program which provides funding to Florida's governmental entities to address wastewater, stormwater, and agricultural sources of nutrients in waterbodies that are not attaining nutrient or nutrient-related standards, have an established total maximum daily load or are located within a basin management action plan area, a reasonable assurance plan area, an accepted alternative restoration plan area, or a rural area of opportunity under s. 288.0656.

The Town Manager is recommending the submission of the Florinda Estates Drainage Improvements Project. The Project will include flood mitigation activities, incorporating the design, permitting, and construction of the drainage system, milling and resurfacing of the roadway, and replacement of existing signing and pavement markings along NW 140th Lane, NW 138th Street, NW 139th Terrace, NW 88th Place, and NW 139th Street. The estimated project cost is \$1,796,150 and the cost share is 20%. If funded, the Town's cost share of \$359,230 would be budgeted in the Stormwater Fund for FY2027-28.

Benefits

Flooding is one of the predominant issues faced throughout the Town. Heavy rainfall events result in flooding on residential roads, unsafe transportation conditions, environmental public harm as a breeding zone for mosquitoes, and potential property damage to residential homes. If funded, the proposed project increases the Town's capacity to collect and treat stormwater runoff before entering the impaired waterways. This protects and enhances the safety and quality of life for the residents of Miami Lakes.

Attachments

Project Location Map

EXHIBIT A
Royal Gardens Project Location Map

