



CITY OF NORTH MIAMI BEACH 2016

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City of North Miami Beach, Florida

Ana M. Garcia, City Manager

September 1, 2015

Dear Legislator:

The City of North Miami Beach is a vibrant and diverse residential community where elegant waterfront homes, cozy starter homes and small apartments blend to create a mosaic of neighborhoods in Northeast Miami-Dade County. Our community of more than 43,000 residents is home to a proud and diverse population who prides themselves on being the face of our nation. North Miami Beach is comprised of established professionals, new arrivals from other countries, those who have retired, and young families, all working to make a city into a community. To compliment this montage of residents is a district of small businesses operated by a collection of hardworking entrepreneurs driven to develop and expand their piece of the American Dream.

Two of the projects included in this proposal will provide essential investment in the local business community's infrastructure and allow the businesses to expand and create jobs. Thus, we are doing our part to continue to stimulate our State's economy. The current on-site septic systems for our businesses have failed in the past and can no longer comply with the Department of Health requirements. Furthermore, the present on-site wastewater systems limit the type of business and the expansion possibilities available to the business owners. Providing sewers to these two large commercial areas along major corridors in our City will allow the businesses the opportunity to develop additional services and expand their current operations. These infrastructure improvements are critical to our economic development. The third project included in this proposal involves the construction of a Texas U-Turn on NE 163rd Street east of NE 35th Avenue in North Miami Beach. This project will relieve existing traffic congestion and facilitate the entrance to the adjacent underdeveloped commercial property. Essentially, promoting economic development and increase employment throughout the Northeast Miami-Dade County region.

The other two projects contained in this proposal include the restoration of our Washington Park swimming pool and improvements to our Snake Creek Canal trail. The City has requested FRDAP funding for both of these projects that will ultimately improve the existing facilities by offering an exciting number of varieties of recreational opportunities for our residents. The final project included in this proposal serves as the focal point for the 43,000 residents of North Miami Beach, along with individuals living in the surrounding unincorporated areas. The City's 90-year-old historical Fulford Fountain, the emblem of North Miami Beach is in need of restoration, and the City would like to ensure that future generations will be able to enjoy this architectural treasure.

These projects are critical to the economic vitality of North Miami Beach and, therefore, have committed 50% of the funding for the sewer and stormwater projects. We are seeking only 50% assistance from the State of

Florida. Our combined efforts will provide the needed stimulant for business growth, job creation, and enhanced community vitality.

Thank you in advance for your consideration of our City's 2016 legislative priorities. We look forward to working with you this session, and we hope we can count on your support.

Sincerely,



Ana M. Garcia
City Manager

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HISTORIC FULFORD FOUNTAIN RENOVATION

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Located in a quaint residential setting and within blocks to a commercial area exists one of the largest fountains in South Florida listed on the National Registry of Historic Places. The beautiful Fulford Fountain, a towering monument with four domed archways rising 14 feet in the air, was erected in 1925 and is listed in the National Registry of Historic Places.



Inside the monument within the middle of the looming archways, stands the fountain. The water sprays 10 feet into the air and then gently flows down four stairs and pools into a reflection basin at the foot of the fountain. The ornamental details of the monument, including four unicorn busts at the corner of each archway and the imported gold and green mosaic ceramic tile that cover the dome, contribute to making this historical fountain a unique and beautiful landmark available for all to see and visit.



Significant signs of aging exist on the monument, including remnants of where paint was once applied, cracked and/or broken stucco and exposed rebar. Two of the ornate unicorns have exposed rebar and numerous ceramic mosaic tiles are missing or discolored.

This historical landmark, which is adored by those living or visiting the area, is shovel ready and in need of funding.

PROJECT SCOPE:

- Pressure Cleaning, sand blasting and filling-in cracks
- Recondition broken elements, new filtration system, Diamond Brite in fountain surfaces
- Paint fountain steps
- Replace missing ceramic mosaic tiles on exterior of dome
- Refurbish existing bronze plaques
- Gateway entry and landscaping



PROJECT COST ESTIMATE: \$ 225,000
STATE FUNDING REQUEST: \$ 112,500

City of North Miami Beach

19th AVENUE BUSINESS DISTRICT SEWERING

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

NE 19th AVENUE BETWEEN NE 181st - 185th STREETS

The City of North Miami Beach seeks to install a gravity sanitary sewer system with two pump stations in order to improve redevelopment opportunities and tenant occupancy for 16 commercial properties that currently utilize aged septic tank systems. Seventeen residential properties will also adopt this system and be able to benefit from this expansion.



These outdated systems severely limit the use of each site. In addition, some of these on-site treatment systems have failed in the past, and can no longer meet and/or comply with the Department of Health requirements.

This business district is located on one of our City's main thoroughfares and serves as its northern most gateway. Through this endeavor, these properties will finally be up to standards with other commercially zoned properties in the area.

The proposed sanitary sewer collection system will inter-connect with the existing Miami-Dade County sanitary sewer system. The Miami-Dade County Health Department and the Florida Department of Environmental Protection are in concurrence with the dire need to connect sewers to this area. This improvement will include 2,500 linear feet of gravity sanitary sewer pipes and 900 linear feet of pressure forced mains for the two new pump stations.

THIS IS A SHOVEL-READY PROJECT WAITING FOR 50% MATCHING FUNDS.

PROJECT SCOPE:

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| • Engineering & Project Administration | \$ 50,000 |
| • Construction Materials & Management | \$ 450,000 |
| • Two Pump Stations | \$ 150,000 |
| • Contingency | \$ 75,000 |

PROJECT COST ESTIMATE: \$ 725,000

STATE FUNDING REQUEST: \$ 326,500

CORONA DEL MAR BUSINESS DISTRICT SEWERING PHASE II PROJECT DESCRIPTION

NE 159th- 162nd STREETS BETWEEN NE 18th and 21st AVENUES (PHASE II)

The City of North Miami Beach seeks to extend sewer lines in this area to improve redevelopment opportunities and tenant occupancy. The properties are currently on aged septic systems that severely limits the use of each site. In addition, some of these on-site treatment systems have failed in the past, and can no longer meet and/or comply with the Department of Health requirements. The City proposes a combination of gravity and low-pressure sewer system for this area. This critical project will affect 90 multi-family and commercial properties within this district.

Corona Del Mar is one of the older neighborhoods of the City, and the only remaining commercial frontage that has yet to be sewerred. Through this endeavor, these properties will finally be up to standards with the rest of the commercially zoned properties of the city and with 21st century infrastructure.



THIS IS A SHOVEL-READY PROJECT WAITING FOR 50% MATCHING FUNDS.

PROJECT SCOPE:

- **Engineering** \$ 90,000
- **Construction** \$ 800,000
- **Project Administration** \$ 40,000
- **Contingency** \$ 95,000

PROJECT COST ESTIMATE: \$ 1,025,000

STATE FUNDING REQUEST: \$ 512,500

City of North Miami Beach

NE 163rd STREET/NE 35th AVENUE TEXAS U-TURN

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

This project entails the construction of a Texas U-Turn on NE 163rd Street east of NE 35th Avenue in North Miami Beach. The purpose of this project is to relieve existing traffic congestion at the intersection of NE 163rd Street and NE 35th Avenue, and to facilitate entrance to the adjacent underdeveloped commercial property.

The Texas U-Turn will free traffic flows currently stuck at the congested intersection. This project will directly facilitate redevelopment of 28 acres of adjacent commercial property, and by improving traffic flow and decreasing congestion, will facilitate economic development and increased employment throughout the Northeast Miami-Dade County region. The proposed project is aligned with the goals of the unanimously adopted City of North Miami Beach Strategic Plan, specifically, a) Financially Sound City Government; b) The Place to Live: Beautiful, Safe and Livable, and especially c) Revitalized Downtown and Major Corridors.



There is great potential for new development on the 28 acre commercial property adjacent to this area of NE 163rd Street. Development is currently constrained by traffic congestion and lack of adequate capacity for ingress and egress. It is estimated that up to 2000 new apartment units and up to 2.2 million square feet of new non-residential development would be facilitated by improving traffic circulation and access at this key location. Improving traffic and reducing congestion will benefit business and private development throughout the wider Northeast Miami-Dade County region. It is estimated that 50,000 people live within one mile of the project site. The return on the investment of funds for the creation of the Texas U-turn project will be measured by an increase in commercial and residential development within the region, and the resulting jobs that are created through such investments in private development. Using a rough figure of one job per 400 square feet of commercial development, it can be reasonably projected that a redevelopment of the adjacent properties based upon the newly constructed access lane would result in many new and expanded businesses creating over 5,000 new jobs.

PHASE 1: Planning, designing and engineer (PD&E)	\$ 1,908,000
STATE FUNDING REQUEST:	\$ 1,000,000
TOTAL PROJECT COST ESTIMATE:	\$8,948,717.06

Washington Park Aquatic Renovations PROJECT DESCRIPTION

15290 NE 15th COURT- (FRDAP funding requested)

The City of North Miami Beach seeks to restore and renovate Washington Park. The proposed improvements to Washington Park will provide safe and adequate recreational facilities for all residents and visitors to North Miami Beach. The project addresses several of the goals and policies most directly affecting the State's outdoor recreation programming efforts.

This project is designed to improve existing resources and offer an exciting number of varieties of recreational opportunities, so that a greater number of resident's recreational needs can be met. The establishment of the project itself will assist a large number of residents in fulfilling their recreational needs and fitness goals. The project offers users almost a dozen different sports and activities to enjoy. More so, by beautifying the existing area, the residents will be increasingly tempted to take full advantage of these resources.

Many of the project's elements, including the water “splash” ground, are accessible to those with physical and mental disabilities. In addition, public participation is enhanced through the participation of adult and youth leagues and teams of all ages.



PROJECT SCOPE:

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| • Pool Renovation | \$ 160,000 |
| • New Equipment | \$ 123,000 |
| • Perimeter Fencing | \$ 27,000 |
| • Security Lighting | \$ 90,000 |

PROJECT COST ESTIMATE: \$ 400,000

STATE FUNDING REQUEST: \$ 200,000

SNAKE CREEK CANAL TRAIL

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

SNAKE CREEK CANAL TRAIL - (FRDAP funding requested)

The City of North Miami Beach seeks to create a healthier and more livable community through an interconnected network of accessible parks, sidewalks and bicycle facilities. The Snake Creek Canal crosses various zoning boundaries and its central geographic location offers endless opportunities for mixed-use development.



The Snake Creek Canal, also known as the C-9 Canal, flows through the heart of North Miami Beach on a NW to SE trajectory for a distance of 2.75 miles, creating a perfect opportunity for a variety of recreational uses. The four-mile, ten-foot wide multi-use path lines both banks of the canal, where residents and visitors can participate in bicycle riding, leisurely strolls, running, using exercise stations, bringing their children to one of the several tot lots, bird and wildlife watching, having a picnic or catching a concert in the city's amphitheater.

The Snake Creek Canal is a part of our heritage, a current important citywide amenity, and a future focal point of our city's redevelopment. Highlights of the proposed trail upgrades include ADA improvements to existing pavilions and structures, exercise equipment and shade structures. These much needed trail improvements will benefit those who will live, work and recreate along its banks.

PROJECT SCOPE:

- Replace and install 15 new Outdoor Exercise Equipment Stations with Shade Structures. \$ 80,000
- Renovate existing 10 Pavilions to include upgraded Shade Structures. \$ 22,000
- Provide ADA access to 10 Pavilions along the trail. \$ 7,500
- Install 8 Picnic Facilities Equipment along the trail. \$ 12,500
- Upgrade Fishing Pier to include ADA access, safety railing & a shade structure (next to boat ramp). \$ 9,000

Support Elements:

- Project Element 1: Renovate Restroom \$ 20,000
- Project Element 2: Install 2 Combination Water Fountains / Dog Fountains \$ 4,000

PROJECT COST ESTIMATE: \$ 155,000

STATE FUNDING REQUEST: \$ 125,000