

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-49

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF GULFPORT, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE ASSOCIATES FOR THE MARINA'S LIVING SHORELINE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT PHASE I; PROVIDING AUTHORIZATION TO THE CITY MANAGER TO SUBMIT A FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION OFFICE OF RESILIENCY AND COASTAL MANAGEMENT GRANT APPLICATION FOR THE LIVING SHORELINE PROJECT; AUTHORIZING AN ASSOCIATED BUDGET AMENDMENT; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, The Mayor and City Council initially proposed the Marina Living Shoreline Phase I during the Fiscal Year 2018 - 2019 Capital Improvement Budget discussions. The initial Living Shoreline Project was withdrawn for lack of Funding and tabled for future discussion. During recent Council Discussion, there was a consensus to revisit the Living Shoreline Project and available funding sources. City Council authorized the City Manager to seek Funding from the State of Florida House Appropriation Request (157) in the fiscal Budget year 2021/2022. House Appropriations Bill (12B -2359) past committee, but was vetoed by the Governor.

WHEREAS, The premise of the Living Shoreline improvement project is to increase "water quality" and provide a more aesthetically pleasing area for the public's enjoyment of the Marina's shoreline area located south of the Marina's south basin. In addition to improving water quality, the living shoreline project will slow down wave energy to help prevent erosion of our natural resources. The project will have two (2) phases. First phase will be the design, permitting and construction of the Living Shoreline. Second phase will be the design, permitting and construction of the upland portion of the project; and

WHEREAS, Environmental Science Associates has an existing contract with the City of Treasure Island (Treasure Bay Living Shoreline and Water Quality Improvement Agreement RFQ20-18) the City can use for professional services.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GULFPORT, FLORIDA:

Section 1.

The City Council hereby authorizes the City Manager to enter into an Agreement with Environmental Science Associates in the amount of \$65,000.00 for the engineering, design, permitting and construction monitoring services for the Marina's Living Shoreline Improvement Project – Phase I using their contract with the City of Treasure Island RFQ20-18; and authorizes the associated budget amendment as attached hereto and made a part of this Resolution.

Section 2.

The City Council hereby authorizes the City Manager to submit a Florida Department of Environmental Protection Office of Resiliency and Coastal Management grant application for the Marina's Living Shoreline Project.

Section 3.

This resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 20th day of July, 2021 by the Council of the City of Gulfport, Florida.

Samuel Henderson, Mayor

ATTEST: **APPROVED**

Lesley DeMuth, City Clerk