

RESOLUTION NO. 24-_____

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF PINELLAS COUNTY, FLORIDA, APPROVING A FY 2025-2026 LOCAL GOVERNMENT FUNDING REQUEST TO THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION FOR AN ESTIMATED \$1,659,035.50 IN FURTHERANCE OF THE LONG KEY-PASS A GRILLE NOURISHMENT PROJECT; INCORPORATING RECITALS HEREIN; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, Pinellas County (the “County”), and Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP), cost-share in three segments of the Federal Pinellas County Shore Protection Project: Sand Key, Treasure Island, and Long Key;

WHEREAS, Pass-a-Grille beach was first nourished in 1985;

WHEREAS, Pass-a-Grille beach was last nourished in 2014;

WHEREAS, partial funding has already been received for the project in the amount of \$940,500.00;

WHEREAS, Pass-a-Grille is scheduled to be nourished in 2024 at a total cost estimate of \$5,200,000.00, with the County share projected at \$2,599,535.50 and the additional FDEP share projected at \$1,659,035.50;

WHEREAS, before providing its additional projected \$1,659,035.50 share for the Pass-a-Grille beach Project, FDEP requires that the Board of County Commissioners (Board) adopt a resolution that: a) declares the County’s support for the Pass-a-Grille Beach Project; b) declares the County’s willingness to serve as local sponsor for the Pass-a-Grille Beach Project; c) declares the County’s ability to provide the full local cost share for the Pass-a-Grille Beach Project; and d) identifies the County’s source of funding for the Pass-a-Grille Beach Project;

WHEREAS, the Board supports FDEP’s Beach Management Program, which furthers the Coastal Management Element of the Pinellas County Comprehensive Plan by “conserving, maintaining, and restoring coastal beach and dune systems so as to retain their contributions to storm protection, recreation, natural resources, and economic development”;

WHEREAS, the Board supports the Pass-a-Grille Beach Project;

WHEREAS, the Board is willing to serve as local sponsor for the Pass-a-Grille Beach Project; and

WHEREAS, the Board annually collects and allocates approximately \$9,000,000.00 in Tourist Development Tax funds for beach nourishment projects, at least \$2,599,535.50 of which is available to fund the County share for the Pass-a-Grille Beach Project.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF PINELLAS COUNTY, FLORIDA THAT:

Section 1. The recitals above are incorporated herein.

Section 1. The attached FDEP FY 2025-2026 Local Government Funding Request for \$1,659,035.50 for the Long Key -Pass A Grille Nourishment Project is approved.

Section 2. This Resolution shall become effective upon its adoption.

In a regular meeting duly assembled on the _____ day of _____, 2024, Commissioner _____ offered the foregoing Resolution and moved its adoption, which was seconded by Commissioner _____, and upon roll call the vote was:

AYES:

NAYS:

ABSENT AND NOT VOTING: