



Pinellas County

Staff Report

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Subject:

Amendment No. 1 to the Station 68 Funding Agreement with the Palm Harbor Special Fire Control & Rescue District to provide additional funding toward the construction of a new fire station.

Recommended Action:

Approval of the amendment to the funding agreement between Pinellas County and the Palm Harbor Special Fire Control & Rescue District toward construction of a new fire station.

- The County currently contracts with the district to provide funding to assist them in their construction of a new fire station per the Fire Station 68 Funding Agreement, dated November 17, 2020.
- The County shall provide up to \$6,000,000.00 (County Funds) to pay for the Project in accordance with this Amendment. County Funds may be used by District for the following to include, but not limited to, land acquisition, engineering, site preparation, design, construction, and associated costs directly related to the Project.
- The original agreement provided \$3,500,000.00 in funding for the construction of Fire Station 68, to be funded by the Local Option Infrastructure Sales Surtax (Penny for Pinellas). This amendment increases the funding being provided to the fire district from \$3,500,000.00 to \$6,000,000.00, or an increase of \$2,500,000.00. The increase of \$2,500,000.00 will be funded by proceeds from the American Rescue Plan Act federal grant awarded to the county.
- Project cost increase is specific to construction cost increases. Project scope remains unchanged and, in some areas, reduced
- Funding is budgeted under project 004185A Palm Harbor Fire Station 68.

Authorize the Chairman to sign and the Clerk of the Circuit Court to attest.

Strategic Plan:

Ensure Public Health, Safety, and Welfare

2.1 Provide planning, coordination, prevention, and protective services to ensure a safe and secure community

Deliver First Class Services to the Public and Our Customers

5.1 Maximize partner relationships and public outreach

5.3 Ensure effective and efficient delivery of county services and support

Summary:

Amendment 1 to the Fire Station 68 Funding Agreement with the Palm Harbor Special Fire Control & Rescue District to provide additional funding toward the construction of a new fire station.

Background Information:

County currently contracts with the District to provide funding to assist the District in their construction of a new fire station per the Fire Station 68 Funding Agreement, dated November 17, 2020.

The County shall provide up to \$6,000,000.00 ("County Funds") to pay for the Project in accordance with this Agreement. County Funds may be used by District for the following to include, but not limited to, land acquisition, engineering, site preparation, design, construction, and associated costs directly related to the Project.

A total of \$3,500,000.00 is funded by the "Penny for Pinellas" and \$2,500,000.00 is funded by the American Rescue Plan Act federal grant funds awarded to the County and is budgeted under project 004185A Palm Harbor Fire Station 68. A total of \$6,000,000.00 has been expensed or is currently budgeted under project 004185A Palm Harbor Fire Station 68.

Fiscal Impact:

The actual cost to the County shall not exceed the Project cap of \$6,000,000.00 without an amendment to this Agreement subject to the approval of the Board of County Commissioners. The original agreement provided \$3,500,000.00 in funding for the construction of Fire Station 68, to be funded by the Local Option Infrastructure Sales Surtax (Penny for Pinellas). This amendment increases the funding being provided to the fire district from \$3,500,000.00 to \$6,000,000.00, or an increase of \$2,500,000.00. The increase of \$2,500,000.00 will be funded by proceeds from the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) federal grant awarded to the county. Funding is budgeted under project 004185A Palm Harbor Fire Station 68, under the Other Public Safety Projects program.

Staff Member Responsible:

James G. Fogarty, Director, Safety and Emergency Services

Partners:

Palm Harbor Special Fire Control & Rescue District

Attachments:

Fire Station 68 Funding Agreement - Amendment 1

Fire Station 68 Funding Agreement

Contract Provisions - ARPA