

Staff Report

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Subject:

Amendment No. 1 to the Fire Station 19 Funding Agreement between the County and the Lealman Special Fire Control District.

Recommended Action:

Approval of Amendment No. 1 to the Fire Station 19 Funding Agreement between Pinellas County and the Lealman Special Fire Control District towards construction of a new fire station to replace the current Fire Station 19. Provides additional funding of up to \$787,000.00 on a reimbursement basis to construct a new fire station at 6785 46th Avenue North, St. Petersburg, Florida 33709.

- The district requests additional funding from the County in the amount of \$787,000.00. The actual cost to the County shall not exceed the adjusted project cap of \$4,387,000.00 without an amendment to this agreement subject to the approval of the Board of County Commissioners.
- The additional funding represents a 21.86% increase over the previously approved amount of \$3,600,000.00.
- The additional funding request is being driven by unanticipated land acquisition and supply chain issues including the availability of materials, inflation, and the sharp increase in the cost of raw materials such as wood and metal.
- The district shall be responsible for all aspects of land acquisition, design, construction, operation, and future maintenance of the Fire Station facility. The County is solely providing funding support for the project.
- County Local Option Infrastructure Sales Surtax funds (Penny for Pinellas) will be utilized to provide funding assistance for the construction of the new fire station.

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:

Provides additional funding of \$787,000.00 to the Lealman Special Fire Control District toward the construction of Fire Station 19 located at 6785 46th Avenue North, St. Petersburg, Florida 33709. The actual cost to the County shall not exceed the adjusted project cap of \$4,387,000.00.

Background Information:

The District currently provides fire and emergency medical services ("EMS") under contract with the County for the District's area of unincorporated Pinellas County.

On November 17, 2020, the Board approved the Fire Station 19 Funding Agreement which authorized funding of \$3,600,000.00 toward the construction of Fire Station 19 which serves the West Lealman area.

The District requests additional funding from the County in the amount of \$787,000.00. This would increase the cost to the County to an amount not to exceed the adjusted project cap of \$4,387,000.00.

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Fiscal Impact:

The County will provide additional funding of \$787,000.00 on a reimbursement basis. The entire cost of the project shall not exceed \$4,387,000.00 to include funds that have already been distributed to the District as part of this project.

The funding for this amendment is budgeted under project number 004186A Lealman Station 19, under the Other Public Safety Program in the Capital Improvement Plan. Funding is provided by the Local Option Infrastructure Sales Surtax (Penny for Pinellas).

Staff Member Responsible:

James G. Fogarty, Director, Safety and Emergency Services

Partners:

Lealman Special Fire Control District

Attachments:

Fire Station 19 Funding Agreement - Amendment 1 Fire Station 19 Funding Agreement