

Appropriations Project Request - Fiscal Year 2017-18

For projects meeting the Definition of House Rule 5.14

1. Title of Project: Downtown Fort Myers Gulf Coast Multi-use Trail Feasibility Study

2. Date of Submission: 02/07/2017

3. House Member Sponsor: Matt Caldwell

Members Copied:

4. DETAILS OF AMOUNT REQUESTED:

a. Has funding been provided in a previous state budget for this activity? No

If answer to 4a is ?NO? skip 4b and 4c and proceed to 4d

b. What is the most recent fiscal year the project was funded?

c. Were the funds provided in the most recent fiscal year subsequently vetoed?

d. Complete the following Project Request Worksheet to develop your request (Note that column E will be the total of Recurring funds requested and Column F will be the total Nonrecurring funds requested, the sum of which is the Total of the Funds you are requesting in column G):

FY:	Input Prior Year Appropriation for this project for FY 2016-17 (If appropriated in 2016-17 enter the appropriated amount, even if vetoed.)			Develop New Funds Request for FY 2017-18 (Requests for additional RECURRING funds are prohibited. Any additional Nonrecurring funding requested to supplement recurring funds in the base will result in the base recurring amount being converted to Nonrecurring .)		
Column:	A	B	C	D	E	F
Funds Description:	Prior Year Recurring Funds	Prior Year Nonrecurring Funds	Total Funds Appropriated (Recurring plus Nonrecurring: column A + column B)	Recurring Base Budget (Will equal non- vetoed amounts provided in Column A)	Additional Nonrecurring Request	TOTAL Nonrecurring Request (Will equal the amount from the Recurring base in Column D to be CONVERTED to Nonrecurring plus the Additional Nonrecurring Request in Column E. These funds will be appropriated non-recurring if funded in the House Budget or the Final Conference Report on the budget.)
Input Amounts:					1,900,000	1,900,000

5. Are funds for this issue requested in a state agency's Legislative Budget Request submitted for FY 2017-18? No

5a. If yes, which state agency?

5b. If no, which is the most appropriate state agency to place an appropriation for the issue being requested? For example, if the requested issue pertains to services provided to inmates at correctional facilities, the Department of Corrections would be the most appropriate state agency. Department of Transportation

6. Requester:

- a. Name: Donald Scott
- b. Organization: Lee County Metropolitan Planning Organization
- c. Email: dscott@leempo.com
- d. Phone #: (239)330-2241

7. Contact for questions about specific technical or financial details about the project (Please retype if same as Requester):

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8. If there is a registered lobbyist, fill out the lobbyist information below.

- a. Name: None
- b. Firm: None
- c. Email:
- d. Phone #:

9. Organization or Name of Entity Receiving Funds(Please retype if same as Requestor or Contact):

- a. Name: Lee County Metropolitan Planning Organization
- b. County (County where funds are to be expended): Lee
- c. Service Area (Counties being served by the service(s) provided with funding): Charlotte, Collier, Hillsborough, Lee, Manatee, Pinellas, Sarasota

10. What type of organization is the entity that will receive the funds? (Select one)

- ☐ For Profit
- ☐ Non Profit 501(c) (3)
- ☐ Non Profit 501(c) (4)
- ☐ Local Government

- ☐ University or College
- ☒ Other (Please describe) Metropolitan Planning Organization - regional governmental agency.

11. What is the specific purpose or goal that will be achieved by the funds being requested?

Funds will help determine and approval of a preferred multi-use trail alignment that can then be developed through future project phases funded through various state, federal and grant funding programs. The requested funds for the feasibility study provides the opportunity to move the proposed project forward which will provide a safe connected trail network.

12. Provide specific details on how funds will be spent. (Select all that apply)

Spending Category	Description	Nonrecurring (Should equal 4d, Col. F) Enter ?0? if request is zero for the category
Administrative Costs:		
<input type="checkbox"/> a. Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits		
<input type="checkbox"/> b. Other Salary and Benefits		
<input type="checkbox"/> c. Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		
<input type="checkbox"/> d. Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		
Operational Costs:		
<input type="checkbox"/> e. Salaries and Benefits		
<input type="checkbox"/> f. Expenses/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		
<input type="checkbox"/> g. Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> h. Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering	The funds will be used to conduct a feasibility study to determine the preferred alignment for a trail from the John Yarbrough Trail at Hanson	1,900,000

	Street to Littleton Road in North Fort Myers. The feasibility study will be conducted by a Consultant selected by Request for Proposal (RFP) process.	
TOTAL		1,900,000

13. For the Fixed Capital Costs requested with this issue, what type of ownership will the facility be under when complete? (In Question 12, if ?h. Fixed Capital Outlay? was not selected, question 13 is not applicable)

- ☐ For Profit
- ☐ Non Profit 501(c) (3)
- ☐ Non Profit 501(c) (4)
- ☒ Local Government (e.g., police, fire or local government buildings, local roads, etc.)
- ☐ State agency owned facility (For example: college or university facility, buildings for public schools, roads in the state transportation system, etc.)
- ☐ Other (Please describe)

14. Is the project request an information technology project?

No

15. Is there any documented show of support for the requested project in the community including public hearings, letters of support, major organizational backing, or other expressions of support?

Yes

15a. Please Describe:

The current Gulf Coast (a.k.a Southwest Coast Connector) Trail alignment in Lee County, that this project is a portion of, was approved by the Joint Lee/CollierMPO's Bicycle Pedestrian Coordinating Committee, Technical Advisory Committee, Citizens Advisory Committee and MPO Board in March of 2015. In addition, the Downtown River District Master Plan included public outreach activities back in 2009 & 2010 that included future plans for bicycle pedestrian connections through the downtown area.

16. Has the need for the funds been documented by a study, completed by an independent 3rd party, for the area to be served?

No

17. Will the requested funds be used directly for services to citizens?

No

18. What benefits or outcomes will be realized by the expenditure of funds requested? (Select all that applies)

Benefit or Outcome	Provide a specific measure of the benefit or outcome	Describe the method for measuring level of benefit
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Improve physical health	The planning study leading to the construction of safe, connected pathway facilities will provide increased opportunities for physical activities that will result in reduced obesity and obesity related diseases.	Projected reduction in healthcare costs of newly active residents.
<input type="checkbox"/> Improve mental health		
<input type="checkbox"/> Enrich cultural experience		
<input type="checkbox"/> Improve agricultural production/promotion/education		
<input type="checkbox"/> Improve quality of education		
<input type="checkbox"/> Enhance/preserve/improve environmental or fish and wildlife quality		
<input type="checkbox"/> Protect the general public from harm (environmental, criminal, etc.)		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Improve transportation conditions	Lee County has very high bicycle/pedestrian fatality and injury rates and the planning and future construction of a safe and connected multi-use pathway will improve transportation conditions for our residents. One of the corridors that will benefit the most from this request is the Fowler Avenue corridor that has a high percentage of households without vehicles (21.6%), does not	Improvements in bicycle/pedestrian fatalities and injuries per capita.

	include continuous sidewalks, no bicycle facilities and has a very high pedestrian fatality/injury rate.	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Increase or improve economic activity	The project contributes to the economic competitiveness of the city, county and region by attracting investment near the facility as well as increased tourism associated with the regional nature of the facility.	Increase in commercial and residential property values within a 1/4 mile of the pathway.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Increase tourism	The ultimate outcome is a connected trail facility from the Tampa/St Petersburg area to Collier County providing an increase in local and regional tourism.	Increase in the reported number of visitors to Lee County from the Visitors and Convention Bureau. A secondary measure is an increase in the number of visitors surveyed that report that they used the facilities.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Create specific immediate job opportunities	The initial funding includes job opportunities for consultant personnel working on the project but the future construction provides the opportunity of 9.6 jobs for each million spent on the multi-use trail facilities (roadways by comparison equates to 7 jobs per million spent).	Reporting on the number of jobs created for the project phases.
<input type="checkbox"/> Enhance specific individual's economic self sufficiency		
<input type="checkbox"/> Reduce recidivism		
<input type="checkbox"/> Reduce substance abuse		
<input type="checkbox"/> Divert from Criminal/Juvenile justice system		
<input type="checkbox"/> Improve wastewater management		

<input type="checkbox"/> Improve stormwater management		
<input type="checkbox"/> Improve groundwater quality		
<input type="checkbox"/> Improve drinking water quality		
<input type="checkbox"/> Improve surface water quality		
<input type="checkbox"/> Other (Please describe):		

19. Provide the total cost of the project for FY 2017-18 from all sources of funding (Enter ?0? if amount is zero):

Type of Funding	Amount	Percent of Total (Automatically Calculates)	Are the other sources of funds guaranteed in writing?
1. Amount Requested from the State in this Appropriations Project Request:	1,900,000	100.0%	N/A
2. Federal:	0	0.0%	No
3. State: (Excluding the requested Total Amount in #4d, Column F)	0	0.0%	No
4. Local:	0	0.0%	No
5. Other:	0	0.0%	No
TOTAL	1,900,000	100%	

20. Is this a multi-year project requiring funding from the state for more than one year?

Yes

20a. How much state funding would be requested after 2017-18 over the next 5 years?

☐ <1M

☐ 1-3M

☒ >3-10M

☐ >10M

20b. How many additional years of state support do you expect to need for this project?

- ☐ 1 year
- ☐ 2 years
- ☐ 3 years
- ☐ 4 years
- ☒ ≥ 5 years

20c. What is the total project cost for all years including all federal, local, state, and any other funds? Select the single answer which best describes the total project cost. If funds requested are for ongoing services or for recurring activities, select ?ongoing activity?.

- ☐ Ongoing activity ? no total cost
- ☐ <1M
- ☐ 1-2M
- ☒ >2-3M
- ☐ >3-10M
- ☐ >10M