



**CITY OF DANIA BEACH
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT
STAFF REPORT**

DATE: August 26, 2014
TO: Robert Baldwin, City Manager
FROM: Marc LaFerrier, AICP, Director
SUBJECT: RFQ-#14-010 Dania Beach Ocean Park Revitalization Plan – Phase I

On March 25, 2014, the City Commission approved the Dania Beach Ocean Park Revitalization Plan. Also at that meeting, the City Commission approved funding and implementation of the Phase I of the plan.

Phase I project components include:

- Dune restoration and enhancement
- Beautification of the entrance area at the pier/restaurant
- Pier shading devices
- Modification to existing parking as necessary
- Relocation of FPL overhead wires
- Relocation of utility boxes
- Renovation of existing restrooms
- Beach portal
- Water sports kiosk
- North Beach enhancements
- Signage and landscaping

The above improvements are located primarily along the beach. The total estimated cost of Phase I is approximately \$1.6 M, with funding available in the capital Projects Fund, Recreation Beach Phase 1 Project, Account # 301-72-59-572-31-10. It is expected that design, permitting and construction of Phase I will take approximately 8 to 9 months.

Phase I is the first step in creating a waterfront park in the City that is clean, attractive, safe, active and environmentally friendly. Phase II builds upon the work completed in Phase I and expands the planned improvements to encompass all areas of the Dania Beach Ocean Park with new parking areas, landscaping, signage, lighting, water features, event lawns and utilities. Implementation of Phase II will require subsequent City Commission approval.

On June 10, 2014, the City Commission selected EDSA as the prime consultant for design, permitting and construction observation services for the Phase I project. Sub-consultants on the EDSA team include: The Chappel Group, Flynn Engineering Services and Craven Thompson and Assoc. This team is also the same group of consultants that prepared the revitalization plan.

Staff has negotiated the attached scope of services and fees with EDSA. In summary, the scope includes Schematic / Design Development and Construction Documents for a total lump sum amount of \$180,000. The remaining tasks for Environmental Permitting and Bidding Assistance, Permitting and Construction Observation will be billed as a time and materials not to exceed amount of \$113,000. The attached scope of services includes billing rates and estimated hours.

It is important to note that due to the myriad of Federal, State and local regulations and agencies involved in this project; the environmental permitting tasks will be important, lengthy and complicated. Furthermore, the relatively lower cost of materials (i.e. landscaping, sand) for this phase of the project compared to the cost of materials (i.e. paving, structures) for subsequent phases, creates a differential percentage of fees when compared to a typical construction project. City staff from all departments will assist the design and development of Phase I to ensure timely and efficient completion of the project.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends approval.