

Meeting Date: February 13, 2018



Agenda Item #: 8B

CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM

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Type of Item:					
<input type="checkbox"/>	Consent Agenda	<input type="checkbox"/>	Ordinance First Reading	<input type="checkbox"/>	Public Hearing
<input type="checkbox"/>	Council Approval	<input type="checkbox"/>	Ordinance Second Reading	<input type="checkbox"/>	Resolution
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Discussion & Action	<input type="checkbox"/>	Presentation	<input type="checkbox"/>	Workshop

SUBJECT: West Volusia Utilities Water Supply Grant Participation

BACKGROUND:

During the last meeting of representatives from West Volusia Water Suppliers (held on December 18th, 2017), Volusia County reported that they had obtained a \$240,000 grant from FDEP for a 3 year education program for the Blue Spring Watershed that includes community outreach messaging for items such as brochures, flyers, social media, airwaves and digital communications. The grant requires a \$33,000 cash match to the \$240,000 grant. The match amount for each participant government was determined based on the number of parcels within the springshed that each municipality serves. Orange City's share is \$2,000.00. The grant will go to Volusia County for administration with a coordinating committee with representatives from each utility/municipality and will provide an opportunity for BMAP credit. The County is currently awaiting receipt of the FDEP work plan which will be distributed to West Volusia Water Suppliers for review.

Additionally, the City of DeLand shared a professional video they developed with Volusia County to showcase capital investments made in order to promote water resources stewardship in the Blue Spring watershed and St. Johns River basin. The group had generally good reviews about the video and suggested to shorten it and replace some segments with a roundtable discussion / voiceover with area elected officials explaining how their municipalities are collaborating on

stewardship and the importance of citizen awareness and involvement in environmental stewardship.

COUNCIL DISTRICT:

City Wide

RECOMMENDATIONS:

Staff requests Council approval to contribute \$2,000.00 of City Funds from the Stormwater Enterprise Fund. Staff also requests to know whether the Mayor or any other member of Council would be interested in participating in the round table discussion on camera.

ATTACHMENTS:

The initial version of the video is available for viewing at:

Link to video - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VRfvV-y1_QY

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

Expenditure of \$2,000.00 from Operating Expenses in the Stormwater Enterprise Fund (\$14,142 are available).

STRATEGIC PLAN:

Water Resources, Community Identity.