

**AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY SHEET**  
**VILLAGE COUNCIL MEETING**  
**March 1, 2023**

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**Agenda Item:**

US 41 Medians 1-5 Landscaping Contract

Motion to approve Miscellaneous Contractor Services contract EC 2019-66 STA 36 with P&T Lawn & Tractor Services to install landscaping within US 41 Medians 1-5, including a 10% contingency.

**Background:**

The Village of Estero installed landscaping along US 41 through a Florida Department of Transportation Joint Participation Agreement (JPA). FDOT provided \$766,000 to install landscaping along US 41. At the time, FDOT would not allow the installation of any trees. Recently, FDOT has agreed to allow the installation of a limited number of trees within some medians.

The construction phase of the U S41 landscaping project was completed in March 2020 with 2-years of landscape maintenance to follow. The contractor was not able to meet the contract maintenance conditions and in August 2021 the Village of Estero replaced the original contractor due to lack of performance.

The Village of Estero is working with the maintenance contractor and Bruce Howard & Associates to address issues within each median.

**Description:**

The attached contract with P&T is for landscaping improvements in medians 1 (southernmost) to 5 (south Coconut Road).

Copies of the landscape plans are attached. Generally, the proposed improvements include the following.

- Median 1
  - Replace Flax Lily with Bougainvillea
  - Add Christmas Palms
  - Add Alexander Palms

- Replace some Foxtail Palms with Alexander Palms
- Replace Flax Lily and Bougainvillea with Sunshine Mimosa
- Median 2
  - Replace Cast Iron Plants and Crotons with Downy Jasmine
  - Replace Crinum Lilies with Hibiscus
  - Replace Flax Lily with Emerald Blanket
- Median 3
  - Add Pigeon Plum Trees
  - Replace Flax Lily and Juniper with Golden Creeper
  - Add Christmas Palms
- Median 4
  - Replace Cast Iron Plant with Downey Jasmine & Horizontal Cocoplum
  - Add Christmas Palms
  - Replace Flax Lily with Horizontal Cocoplum
- Median 5
  - Remove dead tree
  - Replace Cast Iron Plant and Foxtail Fern with Horizontal Cocoplum
  - Replace Flax Lily with Sunshine Mimosa

Bruce Howard is currently working on the design for the medians between Coconut Road and Corkscrew Road. Plans for those median improvements will be coming to Village Council over the next several months.

**Action Requested:**

Approve Misc. Contractor Services contract EC 2019-66 STA 36 with P & T Lawn & Tractor Services for \$61,949 to install new landscaping within US 41 Medians 1 - 5.

Also approve a contingency fund amount of \$6,200 (an amount equal to 10% of the total project cost) to cover unforeseen circumstances which may occur.

Authorize the Village Manager to execute the contract documents on behalf of the Village of Estero Council.

**Process and Timeline:**

After the Village provides notice to proceed, it is expected to take the contractor 25 days to procure materials and 14 days to complete construction work.

**Financial Impact:**

The proposed financial impact is \$68,149.00, contract cost plus 10% contingency.

The Fiscal Year 2022-2023 budget included \$540,000 of available funds for additional landscaping along US 41.

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**Attachments:**

1. Location Map
2. Landscape Plans
3. Contract