



City of Gainesville Agenda Item Report

File Number: 2023-1128

Agenda Date: December 7, 2023

Department: Public Works

Title: 2023-1128 South Main St. Drainage Improvement-Request to Submit Application (B)

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Description: Request for the City Commission to approve, via Resolution as required by the Florida Department of Environmental Protection, an application for the use of State-owned uplands for the South Main Street Drainage Improvement Project.

Fiscal Note: The Application for the Use of State-Owned Uplands fee is \$300.00. The application fee will be funded from the Stormwater Management Utility Capital Improvement Budget.

Explanation: The Public Works Department is proposing to extend its existing easement within the Gainesville to Hawthorne Downtown Connector Trail near South Main Street. The proposed easement will allow the City to construct a new storm sewer line within an existing drainage ditch. This project will increase the capacity of the existing storm sewer in South Main Street and allow the City to abandon an older storm sewer segment located west of South Main Street, between Depot Avenue and SW 16th Avenue that is now past its useful life.

Strategic Connection:

- Goal 1: Equitable Community
- Goal 2: More Sustainable Community
- Goal 3: A Great Place to Live and Experience
- Goal 4: Resilient Local Economy
- Goal 5: "Best in Class" Neighbor Services

Recommendation: The City Commission: 1) adopt the Resolution, and 2) authorize the City Manager to execute an application for the Use of State-owned uplands along the Gainesville to Hawthorne Downtown Connector Trail and related documents, for the South Main Street Improvement Project, subject to the approval of the City Attorney as to form and legality.