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LETTER TO COMMISSION

TO: Mayor Matti H. Bower and Members of the City Commission

FROM: Jorge M. Gonzalez, City Manager 

DATE: October 22, 2008

SUBJECT: Florida Inland Navigation District Awards City \$323,075 for South Pointe Park Pier Project

This Letter to Commission is to inform the Mayor and Commission of a grant that was recently awarded to the City, in the amount of \$323,075, from Florida Inland Navigation District for South Pointe Park Pier renovation and expansion.

The grant will be used for Phase 1 of the project, which includes design, design development, construction documents, permitting, bid and award and construction administration services. The scope of work for the pier includes: rebuilding the existing pier, the addition of bridge connection access points from the existing jetty and the extension of the jetty pathway.

The funding that will be freed up as a result of the FIND grant award will be allocated towards project contingency. The construction budget is \$4,278,463.

The City will apply to FIND for additional funding for Phase 2, the construction portion of this project.

The Florida Legislature created s. 374.976, Florida Statutes in recognition of the importance and benefits of inland navigation channels and waterways, as well as in acknowledgement of the problems associated with the construction, continued maintenance and use of these waterways. This law authorizes and empowers each inland navigation district to undertake programs intended to alleviate the problems associated with its waterways. The South Pointe Pier project will be funded through the Waterways Assistance Program.

Please contact me if you need any additional information.

c: Management Team

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