



Legislation Text

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SUBJECT/RECOMMENDATION:

Approve an Interlocal Agreement with Pinellas County for \$750,000 in Penny IV Assistance toward the Gulf Boulevard Improvement Plan for related Eligible Project work from January 1, 2020 through September 30, 2026 and authorize the appropriate officials to execute same. (consent)

SUMMARY:

This Agreement is an extension of the original Gulf Boulevard Improvement Plan between Pinellas County and the BIG C beach communities. The Improvement Plan scope from 2001, is a beautification plan for the Gulf Boulevard corridor, providing a link between the eleven beach communities in the county. The Plan includes undergrounding of utilities, landscaping, mast arms, right-of-way improvements, and amenities.

Penny III funds were previously dispersed, Clearwater received \$6.7 million. The proposed extension includes reimbursement of up to \$35 million from Penny IV surtax proceeds to the BIG C Cities over the next five years (from July 1, 2021 to September 30, 2026) for eligible projects commencing after January 1, 2020 as well as completion of work under the previous expired agreement. The beach cities are individually allocated from \$500,000 up to \$7.98 million.

Eligible projects must be in the Plan limits. For Clearwater, the limits encompass Gulf Blvd., South Gulfview Blvd., Coronado Dr., and Causeway Blvd. Clearwater's proposed projects for the Penny IV reimbursement are replacement of the Mandalay Channel Pedestrian Underpass Bridge, with any remaining funds going towards Illuminated Crosswalks near Pier 60 and along South Gulfview Blvd.

APPROPRIATION CODE AND AMOUNT:

Funds will be returned to Capital Improvement Projects in amounts of \$700,000 to ENRD180002, Bridge Maintenance and Improvements, and \$50,000 to ENRD180007, Traffic Safety Infrastructure.