

Port Charlotte Beach Park Recreation Center and Pool Replacement

Department & Contact: Community Services — Tommy Scott, Director

Area: Mid

Location: 4500 Harbor Boulevard

Category: Quality of Life

Focus Area(s): Infrastructure and Public Services

Need:

Port Charlotte Beach Park Recreation Center is over 50 years old and has reached the end of its lifecycle. The new recreation center will incorporate needs as a rental venue for events, as well as community facility for sailing and regatta events.

Purpose:

Provide safe accessible park amenities to enhance the quality of life for Charlotte County residents and visitors. Replace aging infrastructure.

Objectives:

Complete replacement of the Port Charlotte Beach Park Recreation Center and pool. The new recreation center must be elevated. Amenities may include a rentable venue with catering kitchen, staff offices, classrooms, storage, meeting and conference room. The pool will be replaced with a community pool approximately 25 yd x 25 yd of 4' depth and 140,000 gallons, suitable for lap swimming, water aerobics and therapy. A new pool house will be built to provide support for the pool and special events.

Project Cost Prior Funding:	\$000	Community	Pool
Project Cost Prior from Sales Tax:	\$000	Center only	only
Total Project Cost:	\$000		
Project Cost Required New Sales Tax:	\$12,500,000	\$8,000,000	\$4,500,000
Annual Operating Cost:	\$000		

Will the project impact public health and safety? If so, how?

Yes, by providing outdoor recreation opportunities to the public. Parks promote physical activity and can positively impact health and overall wellness of the community.

Will the project foster economic development and create long-term jobs? If so, how?

Yes, improving the park will increase home values and desirability. A new facility further develops the park for additional activities including regattas that increase visitors to Charlotte County.

Will the project result in decreased, increased, or no operation and maintenance (O&M) costs?

Yes, increased.

Will sales tax allow for application of grant funds from another entity?

Yes, several including the Florida Recreation Development Assistance Program and the Land Water Conservation Fund.

Will the project enable furtherance of phased projects from 2014 sales tax extension?

Yes, the Sailing Center was funded in the 2014 sales tax.

Is this a joint project with another entity?

No, however opportunities do exist.

Will the project meet a community obligation to serve a special needs segment of the County's population, such as: low-income, aged, or minorities?

No.

Is the project included in a Master Plan, Comprehensive Plan, or Capital Needs Assessment?

Yes, Parks and Recreation Master Plan and the Capital Needs Assessment.

Will the project impact environmental quality of Charlotte County? If so, how?

No.

Project to be funded by the 1% Local Option Sales Tax Extension if passed by the voters of Charlotte County

Will the project improve quality of life in Charlotte County?

Yes, access to parks increases positive effects on health and quality of life for the community.

Is the project state or federally mandated?

No.

Is the project dependent upon or connected with the completion of another project?

No.

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