

Cultural Center Replacement

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Area: Mid-County

Location: 2280 Aaron St., Port Charlotte, FL

Category: Quality of Life

Focus Area(s): Public Services, Economic and Community Development, Efficient & Effective Government

Need:

Design and construct a replacement Cultural Center, including a replacement of the Port Charlotte Public Library with Historical Center components.

Purpose:

This project is a high-priority project of the Board of County Commissioners.

Objectives:

A state-of-the-art facility that will incorporate the Port Charlotte Library and replace the existing cultural center.

Project Cost Prior Funding:	\$750,000
Project Cost Prior from Sales Tax:	\$0
Total Project Cost:	\$61,248,000
Project Cost Required New Sales Tax:	\$60,498,000
Annual Operating Cost:	\$142,000

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

Yes, space will provide mixed-use services to the public, which could include health and safety.

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

Yes, a new facility will require additional staff.

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

Yes, an increase in operation and maintenance costs.

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

Yes, could qualify for disaster recovery funding.

Will the project enable furtherance of phased projects from 2020 sales tax extension?

No.

Is this a joint project with another entity?

No.

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?

Yes, potential programs could be offered for low-income, aged, and minorities.

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

Yes, Capital Needs Assessment and a master plan is underway.

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

Possibly, through code improvements.

Will the project improve quality of life in Charlotte County?

Yes, the facility will include a newly expanded library, a reimagined cultural center, and historical components.

Is the project state or federally mandated?

No

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

Yes, the masterplan and the replacement of the Port Charlotte Public Library.