



Capital Improvement Plan Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Annual Budget

Aquatic Services & Waterways Building

Project ID: 112091
Location of Project: Aquatic Services & Waterways Building
Phase: Identification
Start Date: 10/01/2026
Estimated Completion Date: 09/30/2028
Importance of Project: 3

Area of Operations: Community Services
Project Manager: Aquatics/Natural Resources

Funding Source: General Fund-Natural Resources/Bond
Budget: 0011-01463-5303101/UNFUND-UNFUND-5699999
Grant Funding Source:
Additional Operating Costs: \$0
N/A

Capital Improvement Project

Project Description

To fulfill the operational needs of the Parks and Recreation Departments Waterways Division, Hernando County Sheriff's Office, and the Florida Wildlife Commission for adequate accessibility to waterways within Hernando County. The goals of the project are too serves as a home base for the Waterways Division, FWC and Sheriff's Office. Interagency cooperation and coordination are goals. The proximity of the project allows for quick access to the Gulf waters and estuaries. This facility must take in account the current and anticipated needs and functions. It must be in an area that will provide access to the Waterways along the gulf coast of Hernando County. Additional storage may be considered for inland waterway transportation.

Project Background

The current waterways building was built in 1960 and sits on parcel key #152462 and the yard is located adjacent on parcel key #152444 making up the existing facility that supports Hernando County Waterways Division, Sheriff's Office, Florida Wildlife Commission (FWC) and the Coast Guard. Total square footage of the property, per the appraiser's office is 30,863.

Project Justification

The project is necessary to maintain access to the gulf waters and estuaries of Hernando County's western border by the waterways department, Sheriff's Office, and Florida Wildlife Commission. Consideration for vessel storage for the Hernando County Fire Rescue will also be considered.

Ramifications of Incomplete Project

This facility houses the HC Waterways staff, HC Sheriff Marine Deputies, and FWC Law Enforcement. As this building has been flooded numerous times by hurricanes and storm surge along with incurring equipment damage during each event, it is imperative to have a new facility constructed to prevent future damage and ensure safety for all agencies that are housed here.

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Proposal Name	FY2026	FY2027
Amount		
112091 Aquatic Services & Waterways Building	\$100,000	\$7,000,000
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Fund Description	Department Description	Account Code	Object Code Description	Amount
General Fund	Natural Resources	5303101	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	\$100,000
Undetermined Funding Source	Undesignated Funding Source	5699999	Future CIP Projects	\$1,000,000
Undetermined Funding Source	Undesignated Funding Source	5699999	Future CIP Projects	\$6,000,000
				\$7,100,000

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