



September 22, 2020

Mr. Josh Madden
Southwest Florida Water Management District Sarasota
Service Office
6750 Fruitville Road
Sarasota, FL 34240-9711

RE: Southwest Florida Water Management District 2022 Cooperative Funding Initiative

Dear Mr. Madden:

The following is the City of North Port's one (1) requested project for SWFWMD's 2022 funding year:

North Port Water Distribution System Looping - To reduce flushing due to water quality, the City is seeking funding from SWFWMD to loop or attach certain streets that have been identified as high flushing areas. This project is to promote water conservation while addressing water quality. The City's FY22 request for SWFWMD 50% funding of the looping project is for \$246,550. The benefit of this project is to loop certain area streets that have been identified as high flushing areas and to reduce water quality issues in the system.

At a regional level, North Port has interconnects with Charlotte and Sarasota Counties and the implementation of each of these projects improves the reliability of North Port's potable water supply and enables North Port to provide water to the neighboring region in times of need.

Please accept this letter as confirmation that matching funds for these projects will be included in the City of North Port proposed budget submitted to the City Commission for the City's FY21/22, which equates to SWFWMD's FY22 funding application.

Should you have any questions or require additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Peter D. Lear, CPA, CGMA, City Manager

CC: Mayor and Commissioners
Jason Yarborough, Asst. City Manager
Kimberly Ferrell, Finance Director
Rick Newkirk, Utilities Director
Heather Taylor, City Clerk

