

City of South Daytona

Office of the City Manager

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MEMORANDUM

To: James L. Gillis Jr., City Manager

From: Becky Witte, Deputy City Clerk

Re: Consideration of approving Resolution No. 2026-04, authorizing the City Manager to apply for a Florida Boating Improvement Program grant administered by the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission for the improvement of the boat ramp and replacement of the fishing pier at Riverfront Veterans Memorial Park.

Date: January 28, 2026

The Florida Boating Improvement Program (FBIP) grant, administered by the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, is designed to provide financial assistance to local governments for the construction, renovation, and improvement of public boating access facilities. Eligible projects include boat ramps, docks, parking areas, and related infrastructure that enhances public access to Florida's waterways and supports safe recreational boating opportunities.

Staff has identified the proposed improvements to the Riverfront Veterans Memorial Park Boat Ramp and Fishing Pier as a strong candidate for FBIP funding. The project is intended to enhance public access to the Halifax River, improve the functionality and safety of the existing boating facilities, and support increased recreational use consistent with the program's objectives. The improvements align with FBIP priorities by expanding public boating access while supporting long-term facility usability and safety.

Approval of Resolution No. 2026-04 authorizes the City to submit an application for FBIP grant funding and designates the City Manager as the authorized representative to execute all required application documents and administer the grant if awarded. Adoption of this Resolution is a required component of the grant application process as established by the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission.

Staff recommends that the City Council approve Resolution No. 2026-04, authorizing the City to apply for a Florida Boating Improvement Program grant administered by the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission. The FBIP grant application period is currently open and closes on April 13, 2026.

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-04

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF SOUTH DAYTONA, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE APPLICATION FOR A FLORIDA BOATING IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM GRANT ADMINISTERED BY THE FLORIDA FISH AND WILDLIFE CONSERVATION COMMISSION FOR THE PROPOSED RIVERFRONT VETERANS MEMORIAL PARK BOAT RAMP AND FISHING PIER PROJECT AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE AND ADMINISTER ALL GRANT-RELATED DOCUMENTS, IF AWARDED.

WHEREAS, the Florida Boating Improvement Program (FBIP), administered by the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC), provides grant funding to local governments for the construction and improvement of public boating access facilities; and

WHEREAS, the Florida Boating Improvement Program grant program is intended to enhance public access to Florida's waterways and improve boating safety and recreational opportunities; and

WHEREAS, the City of South Daytona has identified the Riverfront Veterans Memorial Park Boat Ramp and Fishing Pier as a priority facility in need of improvement to better serve residents and visitors; and

WHEREAS, the City of South Daytona desires to apply for FBIP grant funding for the Riverfront Veterans Memorial Park Boat Ramp and Fishing Pier Project during the current grant cycle; and

WHEREAS, the City of South Daytona City Council must authorize the grant application and designate an individual to apply for, administer, and oversee the project if funding is awarded.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOUTH DAYTONA, FLORIDA:

Section 1. The City Council hereby authorizes the submittal of an application to the Florida Boating Improvement Program, administered by the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, for the Riverfront Veterans Memorial Park Boat Ramp and Fishing Pier Project.

Section 2. The City Council hereby designates the City Manager, or designee, as the authorized representative of the City of South Daytona to execute, submit, and certify all documents required for the

grant application, and to accept, execute, administer, and oversee the grant agreement and project implementation if funding is awarded, including any amendments or related documents.

Section 3. This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

THIS RESOLUTION APPROVED ON FIRST AND ONLY READING this 10th day of February 2026 by the City Council of the City of South Daytona, Florida.

CITY OF SOUTH DAYTONA, FLORIDA

William C. Hall, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
James L. Gillis Jr, City Manager

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY:

Wade C. Vose, City Attorney