

## HISTORIC DISTRICT INFRASTRUCTURE

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Area: City of Punta Gorda

Location: City's Historic District, is within the limits of the City of Punta Gorda. This specific project focuses on the portion for the Historic District east of US 41 and generally bound by Dupont Street to the west, Hargreaves Avenue to the north, Cooper Street to the east and the Seminole Gulf Railroad right of way to the south.

Category: Public Safety

Focus Area(s): Infrastructure

Need:

To improve the aging infrastructure in the Historic District, improve sidewalk connections and enhance street lighting for safety.

Purpose:

To provide enhanced street lighting, sidewalk connections, and drainage that will enhance the safety and security of the residents in the area and facilitate infill development. This will encourage utilization of the infrastructure and increase the accessibility and capacity of the facility to enhance the quality of life for all residents and visitors.

Objective:

Installing new sidewalks & missing sidewalk connections, decorative and other street lighting, and drainage improvements.

Project Cost Prior Funding:	\$0
Project Cost Prior from Sales Tax:	\$0
Total Project Cost:	\$2,788,000
Project Cost Required New Sales Tax:	\$1,038,000 – Tier I \$1,250,000 – Tier II
Annual Operating Cost:	\$8,000

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

Yes, enhance/improve public safety by adding improving the aging infrastructure including but not limited to new sidewalks, missing sidewalk connections, lighting and drainage

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

Yes, positive impact on economic development via creating more accessible infrastructure

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

Yes, new O&M cost will be incurred for sidewalk and lighting maintenance

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

Yes, sales tax may allow for grant funds

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

No

Is this a joint project with another entity?

Yes, Public Works, Urban Design, and Punta Gorda Police Department

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, sidewalks, lighting and drainage play a vital role in any community life. As conduits for pedestrian movement and access, they enhance connectivity, promote walking, reduce obesity, reduces flooding, provide connections to retail and commercial areas and improves safety and reduces crime

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

Yes, this project is included in the City of Punta Gorda's Comprehensive Plan Transportation Element; Capital Needs; and the Historic District Infrastructure Report

Will the project impact environmental quality of Charlotte County and the City of Punta Gorda? If so, How?

No

Will the project improve quality of life in the City of Punta Gorda?

Yes, sidewalk, lighting, and drainage improves the quality of life through safety, mobility, and health

Is the project state or federally mandated?

No

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

No