

AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

DATE: December 16, 2025
TO: City Council
FROM: Capital Projects Department
ISSUE: Laguna Cove Restoration Project – Construction Contract

RECOMMENDATION: Award the Laguna Cove construction contract to Asphalt Services, Inc. based on the unit pricing provided in their sealed bid in an amount not to exceed \$2,670,000.

The City opened bids on December 9, 2025 for the Laguna Cove project. Asphalt Services was the lowest confirming bidder with a total base bid amount of \$2,662,963.95. As this is a unit pricing contract, staff recommends awarding in an amount not to exceed \$2,670,000.

The City of Gulf Shores received a Natural Resource Damage Assessment (NRDA) grant from the Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources (ADCNR) in 2017 to acquire a 53-acre tract of land formerly known as the Laguna Cove development. The NRDA grant also stipulated the City must conserve and restore the natural resources of the property and provide passive outdoor recreation.

The project includes:

1. Protection and restoration of critical habitat and wetlands
2. Public restrooms
3. Low-impact public parking
4. Passive recreation opportunities such as kayaking, birding, and interpretive boardwalks

Dune restoration will be performed in coordination with Fish & Wildlife.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION: Resolution 6916-25 authorized the execution of the grant amendment with ADCNR. Resolution 6981-25 authorized Goodwyn, Mills, & Cawood to provide professional services for the project.

BUDGET IMPLICATIONS: There is \$2,000,000 budgeted for this project in FY2026 in account 42-879-80911. The project had originally been anticipated to start in 2025 and carry forward into 2026, so the budget for this project will be updated in a future amendment. This project is 100% grant reimbursable.

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