

Project Title: Cecil Mega Site Rail Spur
Project Location: Cecil Commerce Center
Department: Office of Economic Development
Ordinance No.: _____ **BT No.:** _____ **Useful Life:** _____



Council District(s): 12
Project Number: 010668
Program Area: Roads / Infrastructure / Transportation
Project Completion Date: TBD

Project Description:

Construction of a new, 3-mile rail spur into the 600-acre City-owned Mega Site, at Cecil Commerce Center. The project would include clearing of vegetation and installation of rail spur and needed drainage infrastructure. The rail spur right-of-way is all owned by the City of Jacksonville. The new rail spur would be partially constructed on the former rail bed utilized by the U.S. Navy, when they occupied the former NAS Cecil Field.

Justification:

The City successfully applied for and was awarded a Florida Job Growth Grant Fund Public Infrastructure Grant in the amount of \$5.5 million. Cecil Commerce Center is a master planned 6000-acre industrial park owned by the City of Jacksonville. The Cecil Commerce Center is located in a City-designated Distressed Area and Federal Empowerment Zone. The construction of the new rail spur will allow the City to better market the 600-acre tract of land, located at Cecil Commerce Center. The subject parcel has been certified as a "Mega Site" by McCallum Sweeney, an industry leader in industrial development assessments. CSX has had the Cecil Mega Site on their "Select Site" list, which helps with marketing the site to large industrial users that need rail access to a Class 1 rail line. The total project cost is estimated at \$8 million, with \$5.5 million DEO grant and \$2.5 million City contribution.

Funding Sources	Total	Prior Years	FY 22-23	FY 23-24	FY 24-25	FY 25-26	FY 26-27	Beyond 5th
Transfer Between Projects	\$ -							
Debt Proceeds / Borrowed Funds	\$ -							
Pay-Go	\$ 2,500,000		2,500,000					
Interest Earnings	\$ -							
Contribution from Private Source	\$ -							
Grant / Trust Fund	\$ 5,500,000		5,500,000					
Totals	\$ 8,000,000	\$ -	\$ 8,000,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

Expenditures/Project Phase	Total	Prior Years	FY 22-23	FY 23-24	FY 24-25	FY 25-26	FY 26-27	Beyond 5th
Design & Engineering	\$ -							
Land Acquisition & Site Preparation	\$ -							
Construction	\$ 8,000,000		8,000,000					
Capital Equipment	\$ -							
Art In Public Places	\$ -							
Totals	\$ 8,000,000	\$ -	\$ 8,000,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

Operating Budget Impact	Total	FY 22-23	FY 23-24	FY 24-25	FY 25-26	FY 26-27	Beyond 5th
Full Time Equivalents	-						
Personnel Expenses	\$ -						
Contractual Services	\$ -						
Utilities	\$ -						
Materials/Supplies	\$ -						
Equipment	\$ -						
Annual Debt Service	\$ -						
Totals	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -