

2019 Budget

CITY OF BOCA RATON CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN

Gumbo Limbo/Red Reef West Master Plan	PROJECT #: 600818	PRIORITY: 20
LOCATION	DEPARTMENT	
Gumbo Limbo Nature Center	Municipal Services	

DESCRIPTION

Based upon input from stakeholders and the public, either renovate or replace the Gumbo Limbo Nature Centers main building, gift shop, classroom, laboratory, restroom, and sea turtle rehabilitation facility. Replace the two office trailers with new buildings and provide additional parking. The FAU building may or may not be renovated or replaced. The south-end boardwalks, outdoor sea tanks and the terminus of the salt water intake lines will remain in place. Other existing amenities may remain in place or be relocated.

FY 2020-21
RFP

FY 2021/22
Design Phase I

FY 2022/23
Design Phase II
Construction Phase I

FY 2023/24
Construction Phase II

FY 2024/25
Design Phase III

FY2025/26
Construction Phase III

JUSTIFICATION

Annual attendance has steadily increased from 101, 229 in FY 06/07 to 194,192 in FY 17/18. GLNC is currently forecasting 200,000+ for F18/19. As a result, the facility is simply too small to adequately accommodate those visiting the facility. It is anticipated that attendance will continue to increase.

Built in 1984, the facility is not energy efficient.
The existing classroom and lab facilities are antiquated, resulting in a less than optimum learning environment.
The existing facility lacks a quarantine tank for sea life in distress.

Turtle conservation vehicles, materials and supplies are currently stored at various locations on the grounds. Despite these items being unsightly, many are within public view.
The current facility does not reflect that which the public has come to expect from the City of Boca Raton.

Existing parking is woefully inadequate. It is incapable of accommodating the centers average daily attendance of approximately 600 visitors, not to mention staff and volunteers. The situation is even worse on days that exceed average daily attendance.

The existing sea turtle rehabilitation facilities do not meet current industry standards for the care of threatened and endangered animals.

The two, unsightly office trailers do not provide the privacy nor space needed.

IMPACT

N/A

PROJECT COST AND FUNDING

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	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	TOTAL
CONSTRUCTION	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$15,000,000	\$4,900,000	\$0	\$19,900,000
DESIGN & PERMITTING	\$0	\$0	\$2,300,000	\$800,000	\$0	\$1,800,000	\$4,900,000
PROJECT COSTS	\$0	\$0	\$2,300,000	\$15,800,000	\$4,900,000	\$1,800,000	\$24,800,000
BPD	\$0	\$0	\$2,300,000	\$15,800,000	\$4,900,000	\$1,800,000	\$24,800,000
PROJECT FUNDING	\$0	\$0	\$2,300,000	\$15,800,000	\$4,900,000	\$1,800,000	\$24,800,000

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