

FINAL PUBLIC NOTICE

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has received the subgrant application for City of Crystal River, due to damages as a result of Hurricane Idalia (DR-4734-FL). Pursuant to Executive Order 11988, Executive Order 11990 and 44 CFR Part 9.12, final notice is hereby given of FEMA's intent to provide funding for projects under the Public Assistance (PA) Program.

An initial disaster-wide Public Notice for Hurricane Idalia (DR-4734-FL) was published on: 9/6/2023. Comments and other information received were fully evaluated by FEMA along with evaluation of social, economic, environmental, and safety considerations. This notice serves as a project-specific final notice for FEMA's funding of an action located within the floodplain. FEMA has determined that the only practicable alternative is to repair this facility at its original location within the floodplain because the facilities are located to allow the fire department to provide timely response for the community.

Funding for the proposed project will be conditional upon compliance with all applicable federal, tribal, state and local laws, regulations, floodplain standards, permit requirements and conditions. This action complies with the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) requirements.

- Responsible Entity:** FEMA Public Assistance (PA) Program
- Applicant:** Crystal River, City Of
- Project Title(s):** Fire Hall
[PA-4734-00192 PN 737470 (GM PN 737470)]
- Location of Proposed Work:** 28.90063, -82.59677
- Floodplain/Wetlands:** Project is located in a AE / (EL 12), per Citrus County Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM) Panel Number 12017C0188E, dated 01/15/2021. The proposed work will not take place in wetlands per the United States Fish and Wildlife Service National Wetlands Inventory and will have little potential to impact or affect wetland values.
- Proposed Work and Purpose:** The applicant will utilize force account and/or contracts for repairs to the Fire Hall Building to restore this facility back to its pre-disaster design, function, and capacity within the existing footprint. Work to include replacing drywall, vinyl baseboards, ceramic and vinyl tile flooring, 6 bay doors, 3 exit and 6 interior fire hall doors, and cleaning and resealing 1,995sf of concrete flooring.
HMP: Applicant proposed installation changes that may include water-resistant floors such as ceramic, interior water-resistant doors, and installation of removable flood barriers for all the exterior doors total cost \$59,419.62. This will restore the fire stations to their original function and allow for providing Critical essential services to the community.
- Project Alternatives:** FEMA has considered the no-action alternative, as required by Title 44 of the Code of Federal Regulations and has determined it is impracticable as the facility serves the community with essential services from the fire department. The no action alternative would adversely impact the community by restricting the availability of the fire department to respond in a timely manner. No alternative locations are practicable as most of the city is located within a Special Flood Hazard Area.

Comments:

This will serve as the final public notice regarding the above-described action funded by the FEMA PA program. Interested persons may submit comments, questions, or request a map of this specific project by writing to the Federal Emergency Management Agency, Region 4, 3005 Chamblee-Tucker Road, Atlanta, Georgia 30341, or by emailing FEMA-R4EHP-FLORIDA@fema.dhs.gov. Comments should be sent in writing with the subject line, "FL-4734-PW-00192 PN 737470 Fire Hall" at the above address within 15 days of the date of this notice.

THIS NOTICE MAY BE REMOVED FROM PUBLIC VIEW ON THE 15th DAY FROM ORIGINAL DATE OF POSTING.

NOTICE WAS POSTED ON 31st DAY OF MAY 2024

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