

Charlotte Harbor Event & Conference Center Parking Garage

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Area: South County

Location: 75 Taylor St., Punta Gorda, FL 33950

Category: Quality of Life

Focus Area(s): Public Services, Infrastructure

Need:

The Charlotte Harbor Event and Conference Center does not have adequate parking for events and activities. The problem will increase as the City Marketplace property is developed, reducing available nearby parking.

Purpose:

Ensure the Charlotte Harbor Event and Conference Center remains a suitable venue for events and activities for years to come.

Objectives:

Construct a parking garage to provide approximately 325 parking spaces to meet the current and future needs of the Charlotte Harbor Event and Conference Center.

Project Cost Prior Funding:	\$5,714,908
Project Cost Prior from Sales Tax:	\$0
Total Project Cost:	\$7,400,000
Project Cost Required New Sales Tax:	\$7,400,000
Annual Operating Cost:	\$170,000

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

Yes, the proximity of parking provides safer access and security to visitors.

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

Yes, additional parking will increase the ability of the venue to host diverse events and activities.

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

Yes, this is a new facility that would bring additional utility costs, grounds maintenance, and building maintenance costs.

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

No.

Will the project enable furtherance of phased projects from 2020 sales tax extension?

No, however it does build upon the 2002 Sales Tax that helped to construct the Charlotte Harbor Event and Conference Center.

Is this a joint project with another entity?

No.

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?

No.

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

Yes, Capital Needs Assessment.

Will the project impact environmental quality of Charlotte County? If so, how?

No.

Will the project improve quality of life in Charlotte County?

No.

Is the project state or federally mandated?

No.

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

No.