

**PENNY FOR PINELLAS EXTENSION
CITY OF CLEARWATER
2010-2020**



PENNY
FOR PINELLAS

Penny for Pinellas Extension 2010 -2020

In 1989 the “Penny for Pinellas” (infrastructure) sales tax was originally approved at countywide referendum for a ten-year period starting in 1990. Soon after, on September 21, 1989, the Clearwater City Commission approved an interlocal agreement with Pinellas County for the distribution of the net proceeds of the 1% discretionary sales surtax. About one-half of the money was used for County projects and the remainder was divided among the municipalities within Pinellas County.

In the spring of 1997, county voters approved the extension of the “Penny for Pinellas” tax for a second ten-year period ending in the year 2010.

Since the inception of Penny in 1990, the City has received approximately \$120 million of Penny dollars. This has provided a major economical boost to the City’s economy, offering a means to provide facilities and service, most which would have never been achievable without this resource.

Some of the major City of Clearwater projects that have been funded from receipts to date include:

- Memorial Causeway Bridge
- Main Library
- Bright House Stadium
- Sand Key Fire Station
- Northwest Fire Station
- Clearwater Mall Fire Station
- Countryside Recreation Center
- Ross Norton Complex
- North Greenwood Recreation and Aquatics Center
- Clearwater Beach Recreation Complex
- Pier 60
- Pier 60 Park
- Pier 60 Entranceway Approaches
- Municipal Service Building
- Harborview Center
- Clearwater Pass Bridge
- Drew Street Widening
- Countryside Boulevard Widening
- Stevenson Creek Improvements
- Landmark Drive Extension

Other projects planned for the remainder of the current ten-year cycle include:

- Reconstruction of the Main Fire Station #45 (Downtown)
- Fire Station #48 (Belcher Road) Renovation and Replacement
- Druid Road Improvements
- Downtown Streetscaping
- Morningside Recreation Center Replacement
- Long Center Infrastructure Improvements

Facts about the Penny for Pinellas tax:

- More than 35% of the funds come from tourists, seasonal residents and non-property owners.
- It is equitable – everyone pays their fair share of preserving, protecting, and improving our community.
- Necessities, such as groceries and medicines, are NOT taxed.
- Only the first \$5,000 of any single purchase (such as a car) is taxed.

Current Plans for Penny

According to Pinellas County estimate, the City of Clearwater will receive approximately \$138,855,000 of proceeds over the third ten-year period beginning in the year 2010.

The following pages detail the City Manager's list of recommended projects to the City Council for infrastructure projects during this next ten-year cycle. All of these projects support the City Council's adopted vision for the City of Clearwater.

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2010-2020**

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POLICE HOMICIDE VEHICLE



SCOPE: This project provides for the purchase of a Traffic Homicide Van to replace the vehicle currently in service. This vehicle is used to respond to serious traffic accidents when there is a potential or actual fatality and used for special events such as drunk driver enforcement programs. The vehicle contains the sophisticated equipment used by traffic homicide investigators and can sustain these investigations for many hours while these officers are on the scene of a traffic homicide call.

COST: Penny for Pinellas \$150,000

FUTURE FUNDING REQUIREMENTS:

Annual operating costs are estimated at \$800 for fuel and maintenance services.

CITY COUNCIL'S VISION:

This project supports the "*Clearwater is a Wonderful Place to Live*" element of the City Council's Vision and the following related priorities:

- ❖ A Safe Clean Green Environment
- ❖ Safe Comfortable Walkable Neighborhoods

CLEARWATER BEACH FIRE STATION RENOVATION/RECONSTRUCTION



SCOPE: This project funds the renovation/reconstruction of the existing Clearwater Beach Fire Station #46. This facility will be approximately 46 years old at the time of planned renovation/reconstruction. The facility was not constructed to accommodate a diverse workforce, and the technological changes that have occurred since 1964. The current geographic location of the station is ideal and the extensive remodeling of the facility will provide continued service to the community.

COST: Penny for Pinellas \$4,147,910

FUTURE FUNDING REQUIREMENTS:

No additional operating costs are anticipated.

CITY COUNCIL'S VISION:

This project supports the “*Clearwater is a Wonderful Place to Live*” element of the City Council’s Vision and the following related priorities:

- ❖ A Safe Clean Green Environment
- ❖ Safe Comfortable Walkable Neighborhoods

This project also supports the “*Clearwater includes Special Places that Belong to Everyone in the Community*” element of the City Council’s Vision and the following related priority:

- ❖ A Quality Beach Environment

LAKEVIEW FIRE STATION RENOVATION/RECONSTRUCTION



SCOPE: This project funds the renovation/reconstruction of the existing Fire Station #47. This facility will be approximately 36 years old at the time of planned renovation/reconstruction. The facility was not constructed to accommodate a diverse workforce, and the technological changes that have occurred since its construction. The current geographic location of the station continues to serve the community.

COST: Penny for Pinellas \$4,755,560

FUTURE FUNDING REQUIREMENTS:

No additional operating costs are anticipated.

CITY COUNCIL'S VISION:

This project supports the “*Clearwater is a Wonderful Place to Live*” element of the City Council’s Vision and the following related priorities:

- ❖ A Safe Clean Green Environment
- ❖ Safe Comfortable Walkable Neighborhoods

COUNTRYSIDE FIRE STATION RENOVATION/RECONSTRUCTION



SCOPE: This project funds the renovation/reconstruction of the existing Clearwater Fire Station #50. This facility will be approximately 36 years old at the time of planned renovation/reconstruction. The facility was not constructed to accommodate a diverse workforce, and the technological changes that have occurred since its construction. The current geographic location continues to serve a rapidly expanding community.

COST: Penny for Pinellas \$4,648,460

FUTURE FUNDING REQUIREMENTS:

No additional operating costs are anticipated.

CITY COUNCIL'S VISION:

This project supports the “*Clearwater is a Wonderful Place to Live*” element of the City Council’s Vision and the following related priorities:

- ❖ A Safe Clean Green Environment
- ❖ Safe Comfortable Walkable Neighborhoods

DOWNTOWN STREETSCAPING



SCOPE: This project will continue the downtown streetscaping theme currently underway on Cleveland Street between Osceola and Myrtle Avenues. The project will focus on streets within the downtown area between Court and Drew Streets and between Myrtle and Highland Avenues.

The design theme will be consistent throughout, with a goal of making downtown Clearwater an attractive, pedestrian oriented destination. It is anticipated that this project will encourage continued residential and retail development in the downtown area.

COST: Penny for Pinellas \$12,500,000

FUTURE FUNDING REQUIREMENTS:

No additional operating costs are anticipated.

CITY COUNCIL'S VISION:

This project supports the "*Clearwater is a Wonderful Place to Live*" element of the City Council's Vision and the following related priorities:

- ❖ A Safe Clean Green Environment
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DOWNTOWN STREETSCAPING (continued)

CITY COUNCIL'S VISION:

This project also supports the “*Clearwater Provides the Infrastructure to Support all its Attributes*” element of the City Council’s Vision and the following related priority:

- ❖ Well Maintained Infrastructure

This project also supports the “*Clearwater includes Special Places that Belong to Everyone in the Community*” element of the City Council’s Vision and the following related priority:

- ❖ A Vibrant Downtown that’s Mindful of its Heritage

**HIGHLAND AVENUE WIDENING
(Union Street to Sunset Point Road)**



SCOPE: This project will add a bi-directional center turn lane on Highland Avenue from Sunset Point Road north to the city limits at Union Street. This new cross section will be consistent with the current configuration south of Sunset Point Road and with improvements recently completed by the City of Dunedin to the north, and will improve the level of service on this multi-jurisdictional north-south corridor.

COST: Penny for Pinellas \$2,500,000

FUTURE FUNDING REQUIREMENTS:
No additional operating costs are anticipated.

CITY COUNCIL’S VISION:
This project supports the “*Clearwater Provides the Infrastructure to Support all its Attributes*” element of the City Council’s Vision and the following related priority:

- ❖ Well Maintained Infrastructure

**BAYSHORE BOULEVARD REALIGNMENT
(North of Drew Street)**



SCOPE: This project will eliminate a dangerous curve on heavily traveled Bayshore Boulevard. The curve in the road just north of Drew Street is difficult for vehicles to navigate. Straightening of this section of road will significantly enhance the safety for Clearwater & Safety Harbor residents who use this route daily.

COST: Penny for Pinellas \$2,500,000

FUTURE FUNDING REQUIREMENTS:
No additional operating costs are anticipated.

CITY COUNCIL'S VISION:
This project supports the "*Clearwater Provides the Infrastructure to Support all its Attributes*" element of the City Council's Vision and the following related priority:
❖ Well Maintained Infrastructure

DOWNTOWN PARKING



SCOPE: This project provides funding for construction of public parking spaces in the downtown area. Specific locations have purposely not been identified at this time in order to maintain flexibility as downtown redevelopment evolves. There is also an option of participating in a joint venture with either public or private entities to construct a parking garage.

COST: Penny for Pinellas \$6,250,000

FUTURE FUNDING REQUIREMENTS:

Annual operating costs are unknown until the project has been designed.

CITY COUNCIL'S VISION:

This project supports the “*Clearwater is a Wonderful Place to Work*” element of the City Council’s Vision and the following related priority:

- ❖ Economic Vitality and Reinvestment

This project also supports the “*Clearwater Provides the Infrastructure to Support all its Attributes*” element of the City Council’s Vision and the following related priority:

- ❖ Efficient Responsive City Services

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COACHMAN PARK REDEVELOPMENT



SCOPE: The proposed project provides for the expansion of Coachman Park to include the Drew Street extension, under the new Memorial Causeway Bridge, Harborview parking lot & Cleveland Street west of Osceola Ave. This area will be redesigned to allow for a cohesive downtown waterfront that may include an amphitheatre for special events, improved restroom facilities, parks, parking facilities, and other improvements as determined by the citizens of Clearwater that would support the economic and development goals of Clearwater. This improved waterfront / public space should be designed as Clearwater’s “Central Park.” Harborview Center, Bayfront Tennis Courts, the Bayfront Memorial Parks and the waterfront area are included in the project scope.

COST: Penny for Pinellas \$5,000,000

FUTURE FUNDING REQUIREMENTS:

Annual operating costs are estimated at \$400,000, (includes 3.0 additional FTE’s).

CITY COUNCIL’S VISION:

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- ❖ A Safe Clean Green Environment
- ❖ Safe Comfortable Walkable Neighborhoods

This project also supports the “*Clearwater is a Wonderful Place to Play*” element of the City Council’s Vision and the following related priorities:

- ❖ A Variety of Cultural and Recreational Offerings

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- ❖ A Vibrant Downtown that’s Mindful of its Heritage

YOUTH SPORTS FIELDS RENOVATIONS & IMPROVEMENTS



SCOPE: This project will provide for much needed renovation and construction of new sports facilities needed to meet the demands of youth sports in Clearwater as well as north County. This project would provide for the renovations of Sid Lickton Park, Countryside Community Park, Frank Tack Park and Countryside Sports Complex as well as new facilities for North Clearwater (4-6 new multipurpose fields and other amenities). Safety Harbor residents as well as north County residents would use the new facilities, since, both Pinellas County and Safety Harbor would partner with the City in these developments.

COST: Penny for Pinellas \$7,000,000

FUTURE FUNDING REQUIREMENTS:

Annual operating costs are estimated at \$162,000, (includes 2.0 additional FTE's).

CITY COUNCIL'S VISION:

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NEIGHBORHOOD PARKS RENOVATIONS & IMPROVEMENTS



SCOPE: One of the most important parts of the Park and Recreation Master Plan is the maintenance and renovation of existing parks, whether they are neighborhood, community, special facilities or resource-based parks. Several parks in the existing inventory will need to be renovated over the next ten years. This project will provide for much needed renovation to several of the neighborhood parks throughout the city. Some of the facilities and designs at the older parks are over 30 years old and in need of major renovation.

The parks identified for possible renovation include, NE Coachman Park, Pier 60 Park, Woodgate Park, Valencia Park, Cliff Stephens Park, Charles Park, Overbrook Park. In addition, two new neighborhood parks are proposed at Salls Lake Park and State Street Park. These two new parks may include park amenities, i.e., tennis courts, basketball courts, parking, playgrounds, open playfield areas and park amenities.

COST: Penny for Pinellas \$5,000,000

FUTURE FUNDING REQUIREMENTS:

Annual operating costs are estimated at \$85,000, (includes 1.0 additional FTE).

CITY COUNCIL'S VISION:

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RECREATION TRAILS



SCOPE: The project will provide for the completion of the City wide trail system. Attention is given to planning trails that will connect neighborhoods with existing trails such as the East West Trail, Progress Energy Trail and Pinellas Trail. The City is in a major development phase for many current trail projects including the East West Trail, Mandalay Channel Pedestrian Bridge, Memorial Causeway Trail and the Turner Street Druid Road Trail. However, there are many additional trails that are being proposed by this project which include the Landmark Trail, Edgewater Drive Trail, Bayshore Drive Trail South, Courtney Campbell Parkway Trail, and East Avenue Trail improvements in the Downtown corridor to give all citizen residents access to the trail system.

The City will be seeking other State and Federal funding sources to match the Penny funds to make the trail system a reality. There appears to be a great deal of interest in providing alternative transportation options and trails are one of the key ingredients in accomplishing this goal.

COST: Penny for Pinellas \$3,000,000

FUTURE FUNDING REQUIREMENTS:

Annual operating costs are estimated at \$195,000, (includes 2.0 additional FTE's).

CITY COUNCIL'S VISION:

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- ❖ A Safe Clean Green Environment
- ❖ Safe Comfortable Walkable Neighborhoods

RECREATION TRAILS (continued)

CITY COUNCIL'S VISION:

This project also supports the “*Clearwater is a Wonderful Place to Play*” element of the City Council’s Vision and the following related priorities:

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- ❖ A Quality Beach Environment
- ❖ A Vibrant Downtown that’s Mindful of its Heritage

COUNTRYSIDE FAMILY AQUATICS CENTER DEVELOPMENT



SCOPE: The Countryside area has many fine recreation facilities but does not have a public pool. The Park & Recreation Master Plan recommended the construction of a family aquatics center that will meet the needs of the Countryside residents similar to other aquatics centers in the City. The facility would provide for a variety of activities that could include a lap pool, diving boards, slides, spraying fountains, playgrounds, and other creative state of the art aquatics fun activities.

COST: Penny for Pinellas \$2,500,000

FUTURE FUNDING REQUIREMENTS:

Annual operating costs are estimated at \$325,000, which includes 6.5 additional FTE'S. It is anticipated that a portion of the annual operating costs will be covered by user fees.

CITY COUNCIL'S VISION:

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MUNICIPAL BEACH PARKING GARAGE

SCOPE: The purpose of this project is to provide additional public parking for Clearwater Beach, the City's Marina and beach businesses, and eliminate the need for overflow parking on the causeway during peak periods. This project could take the form of a public-private partnership to provide a facility that would meet the needs of the City, our citizens and the visitors to our community.

COST: Penny for Pinellas \$12,500,000

FUTURE FUNDING REQUIREMENTS:

Annual operating costs are unknown.

CITY COUNCIL'S VISION:

This project supports the "*Clearwater Provides the Infrastructure to Support all its Attributes*" element of the City Council's Vision and the following related priorities:

- ❖ Efficient Responsive City Services

This project also supports the "*Clearwater includes Special Places that Belong to Everyone in the Community*" element of the City Council's Vision and the following related priority:

- ❖ A Quality Beach Environment

CITY-WIDE SEAWALL REPLACEMENT



SCOPE: This project provides funds to replace seawalls as needed. There are numerous seawalls located on City property in Downtown, Island Estates and Clearwater Beach, many of which are reaching the end of their useful life. Replacement of these seawalls prior to their failure is of vital importance to protect the upland uses adjacent to them.

COST: Penny for Pinellas \$1,250,000

FUTURE FUNDING REQUIREMENTS:

No additional operating costs are anticipated.

CITY COUNCIL'S VISION:

This project supports the "*Clearwater Provides the Infrastructure to Support all its Attributes*" element of the City Council's Vision and the following related priority:

- ❖ Well Maintained Infrastructure

This project also supports the "*Clearwater Includes Special Places that Belong to Everyone in the Community*" element of the City Council's Vision and the following related priority:

- ❖ A Quality Beach Environment

COUNTRYSIDE BRANCH LIBRARY EXPANSION AND RENOVATION



SCOPE: The Countryside Branch is the busiest facility in the Clearwater Library System. Built in 1988 with only 15,000 square feet of space, the library receives nearly 350,000 visits each year from residents and visitors.

The proposed project would include the demolition of the existing building and the construction of a two-story facility on the current site, basically doubling the space while maintaining the current footprint. The expanded facility would include a separate children's section as well as an enlarged section for computer technology and public access.

COST: Penny for Pinellas \$6,250,000

FUTURE FUNDING REQUIREMENTS:

There is no need for additional staffing assuming that recommended library technology improvements are implemented to provide self-checkout and other improvements to routine procedures. Increased costs to cover areas including higher utility bills, custodial costs, building and maintenance increases, information technology costs for additional computers are estimated at \$111,000.

CITY COUNCIL'S VISION:

This project supports the "*Clearwater is a Wonderful Place to Learn*" element of the City Council's Vision.

This project also supports the "*Clearwater is a Wonderful Place to Play*" element of the City Council's Vision and the following related priority:

- ❖ A Variety of Cultural and Recreational Offerings

EAST BRANCH LIBRARY EXPANSION AND RENOVATION



SCOPE: The East Branch is the oldest facility in the Clearwater Library System. Built just as computers were beginning to be incorporated into library service, the building is not designed for the technological needs of today, or for the heavy usage it receives.

The proposed project could include the demolition and construction and/or reconstruction of the existing facility to provide a two-story facility on the current site, basically doubling the space while maintaining the current footprint. Another option would be the possibility of developing a joint use library with the Clearwater campus of SPC as an alternative to expanding the existing facility. Either way, the expanded facility would provide larger youth and computer sections.

COST: Penny for Pinellas \$6,250,000

FUTURE FUNDING REQUIREMENTS:

There is no need for additional staffing assuming that recommended library technology improvements are implemented to provide self-checkout, and other improvements to routine procedures. Increased costs to cover areas including higher utility bills, custodial costs, building and maintenances increases, information technology costs for additional computers are estimated at \$105,000.

CITY COUNCIL'S VISION:

This project supports the "*Clearwater is a Wonderful Place to Learn*" element of the City Council's Vision.

This project also supports the "*Clearwater is a Wonderful Place to Play*" element of the City Council's Vision and the following related priority:

- ❖ A Variety of Cultural and Recreational Offerings

LIBRARY TECHNOLOGY

SCOPE: The project provides for the implementation of Radio Frequency Identification (RFID) technology at all City of Clearwater branches. This technology allows libraries to perform many routine, repetitive tasks more efficiently. Stacks of books can be checked in and out with one movement. Patron self-checkout allows the public to complete their transactions without staff assistance. With the more efficient use of staff, the expanded branch facilities can be effectively run with no increase in staffing levels. The system also provides the most effective security system currently available.

COST: Penny for Pinellas \$1,250,000

FUTURE FUNDING REQUIREMENTS:

It is anticipated approximately \$30,000 a year would be required for maintenance.

CITY COUNCIL’S VISION:

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- ❖ A Variety of Cultural and Recreational Offerings

This project also supports the “*Clearwater Provides the Infrastructure to Support all its Attributes*” element of the City Council’s Vision and the following related priorities:

- ❖ Well Maintained Infrastructure
- ❖ Efficient Responsive City Services

NEW CITY HALL AND PARKING GARAGE



SCOPE: This project provides funds for construction of a new City Hall facility with an associated employee and possibly public parking garage. This specific location has yet to be determined. The facility would house those functions existing in the current City Hall and possibly relocate some functions from the Municipal Services Building. It is intended for this to be a signature building equipped with the latest technological advancements in order to provide quality service to the customers.

COST: Penny for Pinellas \$25,000,000

FUTURE FUNDING REQUIREMENTS:

Annual operating costs are unknown.

CITY COUNCIL'S VISION:

This project supports the *“Clearwater Provides the Infrastructure to Support all its Attributes”* element of the City Council’s Vision and the following related priorities:

- ❖ Well Maintained Infrastructure
- ❖ Efficient Responsive City Services
- ❖ Communication

This project also supports the *“Clearwater includes Special Places that Belong to Everyone in the Community”* element of the City Council’s Vision and the following related priority:

- ❖ A Vibrant Downtown that’s Mindful of its Heritage

CITY-WIDE WIRELESS MESH

SCOPE: This project will construct a wireless network across the entire jurisdictional area of Clearwater that can be used by the public and City operations to provide access to the internet at broadband speeds (data transfer in excess of 3Mbs). City operations would be able to access computer applications and communications databases to support business operations and improve service delivery. Development of this network technology will also provide free access to the internet for all visitors and residents, reducing barriers to equal opportunity, promoting economic development and increasing quality of life and services.

COST: Penny for Pinellas \$3,125,000

FUTURE FUNDING REQUIREMENTS:

Additional operating costs of \$50,000 for maintenance are anticipated.

CITY COUNCIL'S VISION:

This project supports the "*Clearwater Provides the Infrastructure to Support all its Attributes*" element of the City Council's Vision and the following related elements:

- ❖ Well Maintained Infrastructure
- ❖ Efficient Responsive City Services
- ❖ Communication

SENIOR FACILITY



SCOPE: The City has made a commitment to address the senior population in Clearwater by creating the Office of Aging. A Senior Facility would be a place for all seniors to get information and support for those activities and services they are in need of. The Facility could include offices that can be used by aging service providers, classroom facilities for educational seminars and recreation activities, fitness room and a large activity room that could be used for a variety of recreational and community activities. This facility could provide a social gathering place as well as a space for the arts and self help classes in technology, health, finances, housing, transportation; just to name a few. The facility would be constructed on existing City property, possibly where the existing lawnbowls and shuffleboard building and courts are located, and could be incorporated into other facilities used by seniors.

COST: Penny for Pinellas \$3,500,000

FUTURE FUNDING REQUIREMENTS:

Annual operating costs are estimated at \$400,000, (includes 4.5 additional FTE's).

CITY COUNCIL'S VISION:

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- ❖ A Variety of Cultural and Recreational Offerings

RUTH ECKERD HALL



SCOPE: The project will provide for the expansion of the PACT learning center (Marsha P. Hoffman Institute of Performing Arts) by providing additional space for classes and activities currently being conducted at the center. The new Marsha P. Hoffman Institute of Performing Arts is popular with the community with all practice and classroom spaces occupied on a full time basis. The City has partnered with PACT on many projects and proposes to partner with PACT again to accomplish the needed cultural expansion. There is no need for the City to duplicate other facilities that are doing an excellent job in meeting the performing arts needs in the community. This project will allow for additional space to expand the program offering for the performing arts, including dance, music, acting and choral performances.

COST: Penny for Pinellas \$4,000,000

FUTURE FUNDING REQUIREMENTS:

No additional operating costs are anticipated.

CITY COUNCIL'S VISION:

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- ❖ A Variety of Cultural and Recreational Offerings

RUTH ECKERD HALL (continued)

This project also supports the “*Clearwater Provides the Infrastructure to Support all its Attributes*” element of the City Council’s Vision and the following related priorities:

- ❖ Well Maintained Infrastructure
- ❖ Efficient Responsive City Services

TRAFFIC CALMING



SCOPE: This project will provide funding to continue implementation of traffic calming projects in neighborhoods throughout the City. Traffic calming serves to reduce speeding and deter cut-through traffic, resulting in safer neighborhoods for pedestrians and vehicular traffic. These projects provide comprehensive neighborhood solutions using various traffic calming elements as deemed necessary for the particular location. Neighborhood involvement from the beginning is crucial to the success of traffic calming projects.

COST: Penny for Pinellas \$5,000,000

FUTURE FUNDING REQUIREMENTS:

No additional operating costs are anticipated.

CITY COUNCIL'S VISION:

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- ❖ Safe Comfortable Walkable Neighborhoods

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- ❖ Well Maintained Infrastructure

NEW SIDEWALK CONSTRUCTION



SCOPE: This project provides for construction of new sidewalks throughout the City. Locations will be prioritized from the City streets, which are identified in the City Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan. In residential areas, sidewalks will only be installed in locations where a majority of the residents are in favor of the installation.

COST: Penny for Pinellas \$2,833,250

FUTURE FUNDING REQUIREMENTS:

No additional operating costs are anticipated.

CITY COUNCIL'S VISION:

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- ❖ Well Maintained Infrastructure
- ❖ Efficient Responsive City Systems