

# Memorandum



**Date:** August 27, 2020

**To:** Honorable Mayor Carlos A. Gimenez

Honorable Chairwoman Audrey M. Edmonson  
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

**From:** Katy Sorenson, Chairwoman  
and Members, Citizens Advisory Committee

*Katy Sorenson*

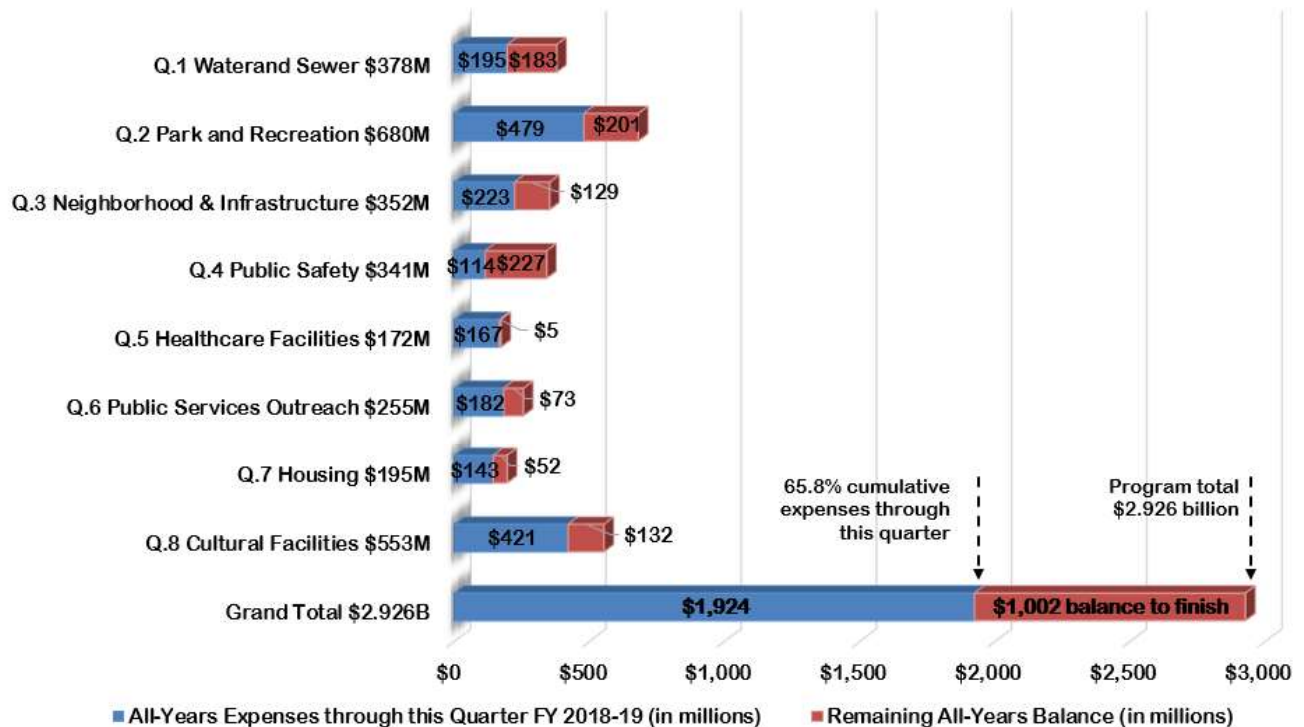
**Subject:** *Building Better Communities* General Obligation Bond Program Quarterly Progress Report – 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter FY 2019-20 (October 1, 2019 – December 31, 2019)

The following report provides an update on the *Building Better Communities* - General Obligation Bond (BBC-GOB) program for the period from October 1, 2019 through December 31, 2019 pursuant to Ordinance No. 05-70. During this time, the BBC-GOB program continued its progress with approximately 140 ongoing projects throughout Miami-Dade County.

## **PROGRAM SUMMARY OVERVIEW**

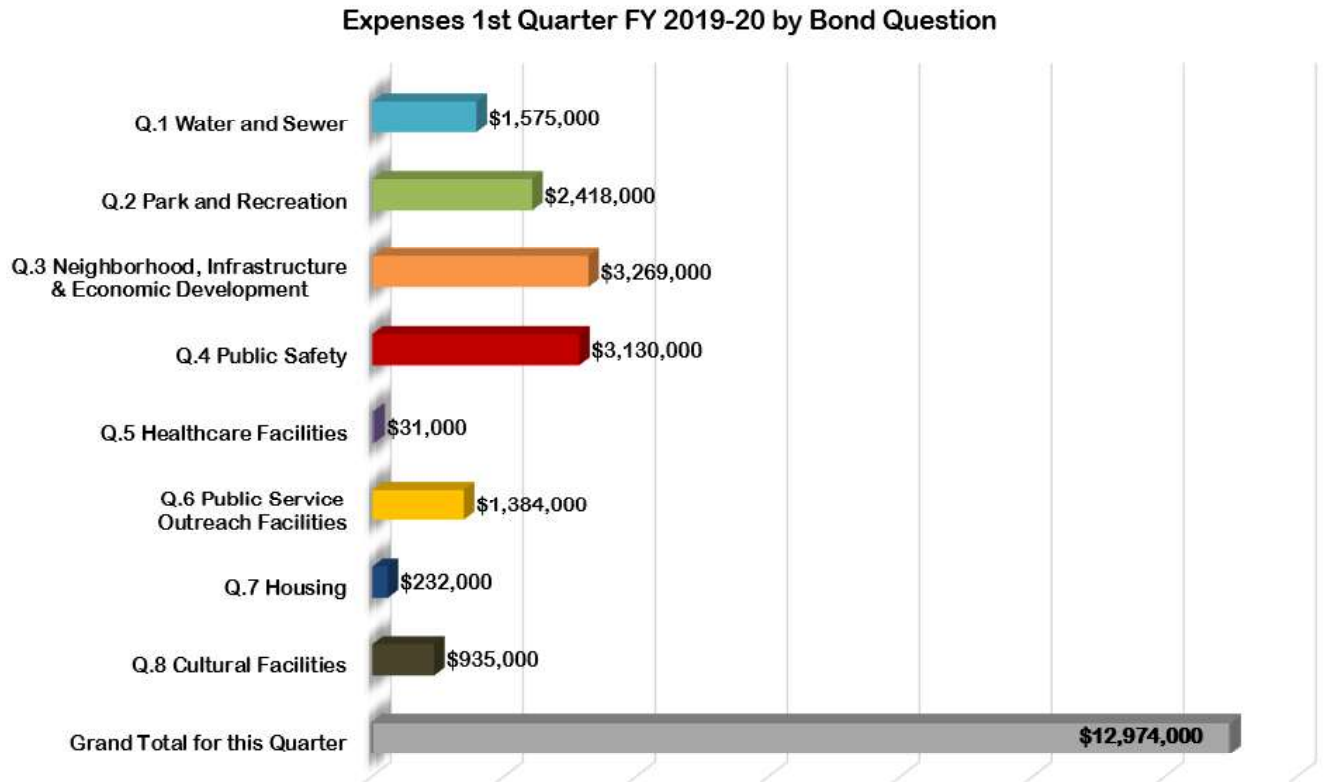
The chart below shows cumulative program expenditures through the first quarter of FY 2019-20. Program-wide expenditures at the end of the first quarter FY 2019-20 was \$1.924 billion, or 65.8% of the approved \$2.926 billion program.

**All-Years Expenses through 1st Quarter FY 2019-20 (by Bond Question, in millions)**



## **FIRST QUARTER FY 2019-20 OVERVIEW**

The chart below shows program expenditures incurred during the first quarter of FY 2019-20. Total expenditures for the reporting period are \$12.974 million.



## **PROJECT HIGHLIGHTS**

During the reporting period the program reached the following milestones:

### **Ballot Question 1: Water, Sewer and Flood Control**

- The Department of Transportation and Public Works completed drainage improvement projects at various locations at an estimated cost of \$663,575; these projects will help alleviate localized flooding

### **Ballot Question 2: Park and Recreation**

- The acquisition of Environmentally Endangered Lands (EEL) continued during this quarter with approximately 42 additional acres of land approved for purchase by the Board of County Commissioners; a balance of approximately \$2.9 million remained from the total all-years \$40 million EEL allocation

### **Ballot Question 3: Neighborhood and Infrastructure**

- The Economic Development Fund (EDF) made a \$3 million reimbursement to the Village of Palmetto Bay for streetscape improvements in downtown Palmetto Bay

### **Ballot Question 4: Public Safety**

- Renovation of the Mental Health Diversion Facility reached 8% completion
- The Board of County Commissioners awarded a contract for the construction of the new Civil and Probate Courthouse which included an allocation of \$42 million from GOB Project No. 180 – Additional Courtrooms and Administration Facilities

### **Ballot Question 5: Healthcare Facilities**

- Construction documents for the Westchester Health and Information Center at West Dade Regional Library were completed and construction bidding was planned for the Spring of 2020

### **Ballot Question 6: Public Service Outreach Facilities**

- Final reimbursement was made to the City of Miami Springs for the completion of a Senior Center located at 101 Apache St.

### **Ballot Question 7: Housing**

- The Board of County Commissioners approved an allocation of \$4.592 million from the District 10 Affordable Housing funds for the development of elderly or veterans affordable housing, to be located on County-owned land at 9000 SW 72nd Street
- Liberty Square Phase Two/Block four construction financing was secured and construction commenced on the site.

### **Ballot Question 8: Cultural Facilities**

- Construction work continued at the new Hialeah Gardens Branch Library which reached 30% completion; conceptual design for the New Doral Branch Library was been completed and design development was under way
- Several branch libraries underwent extensive renovations including the Allapattah, Coral Reef, Edison and West Flagler branches; roof replacement at the Coconut Grove branch library reached 80% completion; HVAC projects were completed at Kendale Lakes Branch Library and South Dade Regional Library
- Infrastructure improvements progressed at the African Heritage Cultural Arts Center with most roofs and HVAC units replaced and interior renovations under way; replacement of various roof sections began at the Miami-Dade County Auditorium, highlighting the need for additional repairs and upgrades at the facility which were being analyzed and programmed

## **SIGNIFICANT MODIFICATIONS**

At the October 3, 2019 Board of County Commissioners meeting, resolution R-648-15 rescinded a prior allocation of \$10.0 million from Project Nos. 241 and 232 for development of a West Dade Government Center and approved a significant modification to allocate same funds to the design and construction of a Multi-Purpose Project at Miami Arts Studio 6-12 at Zelda Glazer, a Miami-Dade County Public School.

## **CLOSING SUMMARY**

At almost a two-thirds completion of the BBC-GOB program, we will continue to monitor projects for expenditures and schedules with an emphasis on the program's affordable housing, EDF and infrastructure projects in correlation with the County's resiliency plan and Countywide Infrastructure Investment Plan. If you have any questions please contact the BBC-GOB Program Coordinator, David Clodfelter, at 305-375-4959.