

Brevard County Board of County Commissioners

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Legislation Text

File #: 6801, Version: 1

Subject:

Approval Re: Memorandum of Agreement with the City of Palm Bay for Climate Pollution Reduction Grant - Countywide

Fiscal Impact:

Up to \$45,751,163.00 in grant funding over five years with no match requirement.

Dept/Office:

Public Works Department/Road and Bridge

Requested Action:

It is requested that the Board of County Commissioners approve and authorize the Chair to execute the Memorandum of Agreement with the City of Palm Bay establishing the Climate Pollution Reduction Grant Coalition (MOA).

Summary Explanation and Background:

On April 1, 2024, the County and City of Palm Bay submitted a grant to obtain a zero-match Climate Pollution Reduction Grant (CPRG) from the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). Instead of going after the same grant individually, the County and City formed a Coalition as part of the CPRG application process to go after more funding, with the County serving as the lead applicant. As part of the CPRG application process and to be considered for funding, a memorandum of agreement between coalition members is required to be executed and submitted to the EPA by July 1, 2024. The EPA provided guidance on what information needs to be included in the memorandum of agreement, including, but not limited to, the operating model of the Coalition and a statement that the lead applicant will be accountable to the EPA and be responsible for effectively carrying out the full scope of work and proper financial management of the grant. The attached MOA addresses the EPA's requirements and also provides that the City shall be responsible for reimbursing the County for any City work deemed ineligible for grant funds.

The CPRG grant incentivizes eligible agencies to apply for funding to implement greenhouse gas (GHG) reduction measures regionally. The Coalition's proposed project will expand and improve on the County and City's existing pavement preservation programs. If awarded, the CPRG funding will allow the Coalition to utilize a new GHG reduction-based technology and meet CPRG goals, specifically by targeting and reducing carbon dioxide and nitrogen oxides while greatly reducing our pavement preservation costs and allowing us to expand the roads treated.

The attached MOA meets the CPRG grant requirements. In accordance with Administrative Order 29, the Agreement has been reviewed by the County Attorney's Office, Risk Management, and Purchasing Services. The City is scheduled to approve the MOA at their May 16, 2024 City Council meeting.

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Clerk to the Board Instructions:

The Public Works Department will return a copy of the fully executed MOA to the Clerk.