



Brevard County Board of County Commissioners

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Legislation Text

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Subject:

Reconsideration, Re: Funding recommendations for listed FY 2023-24 Cycle 2 Sports Grants.

Fiscal Impact:

FY 2023-24: \$18,000 for Cycle 2 Sports Grants, Marketing Fund #1441/293050.

Dept/Office:

District 5 Commission Office

Requested Action:

It is requested that the Board of County Commissioners: (1) pursuant to BCC-97 III.K, suspend Robert's Rules of Order; (2) reconsider its action at the December 19, 2023 regular meeting on Item H.2., Approval re: Funding recommendations for listed FY 2023-24 Cycle 2 Sports Grants; and (3) approve the Tourist Development Council's recommendation regarding funding for the FY 2023-24 Cycle 2 Sports Grant Program for:

1. Cocoa Beach Triathlon & Duathlon (4/13/2024 - 4/14/2024) \$12,000.00
2. USA Beach Running Championships (4/28/2024) \$6,000.00

Each action requires a majority vote of the Board.

Further, based on the facts specified, by approving this agenda item, the Board will make the legislative finding that Tourist Development Tax funds are authorized for sporting grants pursuant to Section 125.0104(5)(a)3., Florida Statutes, and Section 102-119(3)a, (5)a, and (6)a. of the Brevard County Code of Ordinances. Each of the tourist-oriented sporting and special events have as one of its main purposes the attraction of tourists, and the entity and the Space Coast Office of Tourism both intend to ensure marketing and promotion of these events to tourists.

Additionally, request authority for the Director, Tourism Development Office, to negotiate and sign all necessary agreements and related documents upon County Attorney's Office, Risk Management and Central Services approval and authorize the County Manager to execute necessary budget change requests.

Summary Explanation and Background:

The purpose of the Sport Events Grant Program is to provide reimbursement grants to sports-related organizations to support and enhance athletic events seeking financial assistance for events held on Florida's Space Coast. The grants are administered by the Sports Committee of the Tourist Development Council. The goal of the grant program is to assist the County in attracting and growing high quality sporting events that generate significant economic impact through the attraction of out-of-county participants, related room nights and spending in the local economy. Reimbursement grants up to \$25,000, based on \$15 per room night, are

available to support events that benefit sports tourism on Florida's Space Coast. Qualifying grants are also subject to partial reimbursement to the TDO from the Florida Sports Foundation.

The Sports Committee at their November 8, 2023, meeting and the Tourist Development Council at their November 15, 2023, meeting, voted unanimously to recommend the Board approve the FY 2023-24 Cycle 2 Sports Event Grant Applications, as well as make the necessary legislative findings.

The Board at the December 5, 2023 meeting requested this item be brought back on December 19, 2023 with more budget detail for each event. The requested budgets are attached to the agenda. The Board at the December 19, 2023 meeting approved all the Cycle 2 Sports Grants, except for Cocoa Beach Triathlon & Duathlon and USA Beach Running Championships.

Pursuant to BCC-97, the Board has adopted Robert's Rules of Order. Under Robert's Rules, a motion to reconsider may be made by a commissioner who voted on the prevailing side of the motion. Chair Steele voted on the prevailing side of the motion on Item H.2. at the December 19, 2023 meeting, and thus, could have made a motion to reconsider. However, a motion to reconsider must be made at the same meeting, and accordingly, is not available at a subsequent meeting.

Chair Steele requests that the Board suspend Robert's Rules. Pursuant to BCC-97 III.K., the Board may do so by a majority vote. Commissioner Steele further requests that the Board reconsider Item H.2. from the December 19, 2023 meeting and approve the Tourist Development Council's recommendation regarding funding for the FY 2023-24 Cultural Support Grant Program, to include the appropriate legislative findings.

Clerk to the Board Instructions:

Please return a memo of the Board's action to the Tourism Development Office and CAO.