Florida Job Growth Grant Fund
Public Infrastructure Grant Proposal

Proposal Instructions: The Florida Job Growth Grant Fund Proposal (this document) must be completed by the governmental entity applying for the grant and signed by either the chief elected official, the administrator for the governmental entity or their designee. Please read the proposal carefully as some questions may require a separate narrative to be completed.

Governmental Entity Information

Name of Governmental Entity: City of West Park

Government Federal Employer Identification Number: [ Redacted ]

Contact Information:
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Public Infrastructure Grant Eligibility

Pursuant to section 288.101, F.S., the Florida Job Growth Grant Fund was created to promote economic opportunity by improving public infrastructure and enhancing workforce training. Eligible governmental entities that wish to access this grant fund must submit public infrastructure proposals that:

- Promote economic recovery in specific regions of the state, economic diversification or economic enhancement in a targeted industry. (View Florida’s Targeted Industries here.)
- Are not for the exclusive benefit of any single company, corporation or business entity.
- Are for infrastructure that is owned by the public and is for public use or predominately benefits the public.
1. Program Requirements:

Each proposal must include the following information describing how the project satisfies eligibility requirements listed on page 1.

A. Provide the title and a detailed description of the public infrastructure improvements.
   Public Private Partnership Development along State Road 7

B. Is this infrastructure owned by the public?
   ✔ Yes  □ No

C. Is this infrastructure for public use or does it predominately benefit the public?
   ✔ Yes  □ No

D. Will the public infrastructure improvements be for the exclusive benefit of any single company, corporation or business entity?
   □ Yes  ✔ No

E. Provide a detailed explanation of how the public infrastructure improvements will connect to a broader economic development vision for the community and benefit additional current or future businesses.

   This funding will allow for the acquisition of vacant and under-utilized parcels along State Road 7. These vacant and under-utilized parcels were transferred to the City by FDOT for redevelopment, but the City is required to pay FDOT for the value of each parcel transferred, prior to development. This funding would allow the City to bring the properties into viable commercial development and creating jobs.
F. Provide a detailed description of, and quantitative evidence demonstrating, how the proposed public infrastructure project will promote:

- Economic recovery in specific regions of the state;
- Economic diversification; or
- Economic enhancement of a Targeted Industry (View Florida’s Targeted Industries here.)

  - As part of this response, describe how the project will promote specific job growth. Include a description of the number of jobs that will be retained or created, the average wages of such jobs, and in which industry(ies) the jobs will be created using the North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) codes. Where applicable, you may list specific businesses that will retain or grow jobs or make capital investment.
  - Further, include the economic impact on the community, region, or state and the associated metrics used to measure the success of the proposed project.

2. Additional Information:

A. Is this project an expansion of an existing infrastructure project?
   - ☐ Yes  ☑ No

B. Provide the proposed commencement date and number of days required to complete construction of the public infrastructure project.

C. What is the location of the public infrastructure? (Provide the road number, if applicable.)
   - Corner of SW 25th Street and State Road 7

D. Who is responsible for maintenance and upkeep? (Indicate if more than one are applicable.)
   - ☐ Federal  ☐ State  ☐ County  ☑ City  ☐ Other___________

E. What permits are necessary for the public infrastructure project?
   - Broward County and City
F. Detail whether required permits have been secured, and if not, detail the timeline for securing these permits. Additionally, if any required permits are local permits, will these permits be prioritized?

No permits have been secured. All permits will be secured within 90 days of project commencement. All permits will be prioritized for this project.

G. What is the future land use and zoning designation on the proposed site of the infrastructure improvements, and will the improvements conform to those uses?

Transit Oriented Corridor (TOC) These improvements are consistent and will continue to be consistent with these land uses.

H. Will an amendment to the local comprehensive plan or a development order be required on the site of the proposed project or on adjacent property to accommodate the infrastructure and potential current or future job creation opportunities? If yes, please detail the timeline.

☐ Yes ☑ No

I. Is the project ready to commence upon grant fund approval and contract execution? If no, please explain.

☑ Yes ☐ No

J. Does this project have a local match amount?

☑ Yes ☐ No

If yes, please describe the entity providing the match and the amount.

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K. Provide any additional information or attachments to be considered for this proposal.

Additional information is attached to this application.

3. Program Budget

**Estimated Costs and Sources of Funding:** Include all applicable public infrastructure costs and other funding sources available to support the proposal.

A. Public Infrastructure Project Costs:

- Construction $ 
- Reconstruction $ 
- Design & Engineering $ 
- Land Acquisition $ 
- Land Improvement $ 

Other $ Please Specify: ________

**Total Project Costs** $ 5,000,000.00

B. Other Public Infrastructure Project Funding Sources:

- City/County $ 
- Private Sources $ 

Other (grants, etc.) $ Please Specify: ________

**Total Other Funding** $ 

**Total Amount Requested** $ 

**Note:** The total amount requested must equal the difference between the public infrastructure project costs in 3.A. and the other public infrastructure project funding sources in 3.B.

C. Provide a detailed budget narrative, including the timing and steps necessary to obtain the funding and any other pertinent budget-related information.

Funding is being requested for implementation and completion of construction of Public Private Partnership Development along State Road 7. Once awarded funding, the City will begin the bid phase and advertise for 30 days. A responsible bidder has been selected, and an agreement is fully executed (45 days).
4. Approvals and Authority

A. If the governmental entity is awarded grant funds based on this proposal, what approvals must be obtained before it can execute a grant agreement with the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity (e.g., approval of a board, commission or council)?

City Commission

B. If approval of a board, commission, council or other group is needed prior to execution of an agreement between the governmental entity and the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity:

   i. Provide the schedule of upcoming meetings for the group for a period of at least six months.
      August 2nd, August 16th, September 5th, September 20th, October 4th, October 18th, November 1st, November 15th, December 6th, January 17th

   ii. State whether that group can hold special meetings, and if so, upon how many days’ notice.
       30 days notice

C. Attach evidence that the undersigned has all necessary authority to execute this proposal on behalf of the governmental entity. This evidence may take a variety of forms, including but not limited to: a delegation of authority, citation to relevant laws or codes, policy documents, etc.
I, the undersigned, do hereby certify that I have express authority to sign this proposal on behalf of the above-described governmental entity.

City of West Park

Name of Governmental Entity: 

W. Ajibola Balogun, City Manager

Name and Title of Authorized Representative: 

Representative Signature: 

Signature Date: 