

MIAMI BEACH

COMMISSION MEMORANDUM

TO: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Commission

FROM: Rickelle Williams, Interim City Manager

DATE: July 24, 2024

TITLE: A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING (AND, AS TO CERTAIN AGREEMENTS, RETROACTIVELY APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING) THE CITY MANAGER, OR HER DESIGNEE, TO APPLY FOR, AND ACCEPT FUNDING, EXECUTE ANY AND ALL DOCUMENTS OR AGREEMENTS, AND APPROPRIATE FUNDING RECEIVED BY THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH IN CONNECTION WITH THE FOLLOWING GRANTS, PROGRAMS, AND AGREEMENTS: 1) FLORIDA ALLIANCE TO END HUMAN TRAFFICKING, HUMAN TRAFFICKING GRANT PROGRAM, IN THE APPROXIMATE AMOUNT OF \$28,000; 2) FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND CONSUMER SERVICES THROUGH U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE (USDA), URBAN AND COMMUNITY FORESTRY GRANT FY2024, IN THE APPROXIMATE AMOUNT OF \$50,000.

RECOMMENDATION

The Administration recommends the Mayor and City Commission adopt the Resolution.

BACKGROUND/HISTORY

The City of Miami Beach applies for various grants and funding allocations from external agencies and organizations. Information regarding the projects and funding sources is included in the Analysis section of this Agenda Item.

ANALYSIS

1. Florida Alliance to End Human Trafficking, Human Trafficking Grant Program, in the approximate amount of \$28,000 for Surveillance Equipment

The Florida Alliance to End Human Trafficking serves as the Direct Support Organization (DSO) to the Statewide Council on Human Trafficking (Council). At the direction of the Council, the Florida Alliance to End Human Trafficking has issued a grant solicitation to support law enforcement agency efforts in fighting human trafficking. The purpose of this grant funding is to support innovative solutions within law enforcement agencies to disrupt criminal networks, bring perpetrators to justice, and support victims of human trafficking.

The City Administration is applying for a grant in the approximate amount of \$28,000 for the Miami Beach Police Department to purchase surveillance equipment to enhance human trafficking investigative capabilities. MBPD plays a huge role in human trafficking cases in South Florida because it is the only Police Department in Miami-Dade County with a designated unit for human trafficking. With the proposed equipment, MBPD will be able to conduct more human trafficking detail, and the 90+ details conducted annually will become more efficient, therefore increasing the probability of and the time necessary to arrest trafficking perpetrators, dismantle trafficking networks, and rescue trafficking victims. No matching funds are required.

2. Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA), Urban and Community Forestry Grant FY2024, in the approximate amount of \$50,000 for Tree Inventory

The purpose of Florida's Urban and Community Forestry (UCF) Grant Program is to provide financial assistance to local governments, Native American tribal governments, volunteer groups, nonprofit organizations, and educational institutions to initiate or enhance local urban and community forestry programs and improve the urban environment within the state of Florida.

The City of Miami Beach is requesting \$50,000 to retain a consulting firm that will make updates to the City of Miami Beach GIS tree inventory by the beginning of FY 2025 in the South and North Beach areas. In addition, funding was allocated four (4) years ago for the development of the City's first Urban Forestry Master Plan of which the GIS tree inventory is a major component. The City is providing matching funds in the approximate amount of \$50,000 from account number 127-6505-000312-36-406-555-00-00-00.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

Matching funds in the approximate amount of \$50,000 for the Urban and Community Forestry Grant should the grant be awarded.

Does this Ordinance require a Business Impact Estimate?
(FOR ORDINANCES ONLY)

The Business Impact Estimate (BIE) was published on . See BIE at:
<https://www.miamibeachfl.gov/city-hall/city-clerk/meeting-notices/>

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

CONCLUSION

Based on the stated analysis, the Administration recommends that the Mayor and City Commission adopt the Resolution appropriating funding and approving and authorizing the City Manager or her designee to apply for and accept funds and execute all documents or agreements in connection with these grants, award programs and funding requests.

Applicable Area

Citywide

Is this a "Residents Right to Know" item, pursuant to City Code Section 2-17?

No

Is this item related to a G.O. Bond Project?

No

Was this Agenda Item initially requested by a lobbyist which, as defined in Code Sec. 2-481, includes a principal engaged in lobbying? No

If so, specify the name of lobbyist(s) and principal(s):

Department

Grants Management

Sponsor(s)

Co-sponsor(s)

Condensed Title

Approval to Apply for, Accept and Appropriate Funding, Grants, and Agreements. GM