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December 13, 2021

Mr. Dave Eggers  
Chairman  
Pinellas County Board of County Commissioners  
St. Pete-Clearwater International Airport  
14700 Terminal Blvd, Suite 221  
Clearwater, FL 33762

Dear Mr. Eggers:

Please find the following electronic Concessions Rent Relief Airport Rescue Grant Offer, Grant No. 3-12-0075-051-2022 for St Pete-Clearwater International Airport. This letter outlines expectations for success. Please read and follow the instructions carefully.

To properly enter into this agreement, you must do the following:

- a. The governing body must provide authority to execute the grant to the individual signing the grant; i.e. the sponsor's authorized representative.
- b. The sponsor's authorized representative must execute the grant, followed by the attorney's certification, no later than **January 28, 2022** in order for the grant to be valid.
- c. You may not make any modification to the text, terms, or conditions of the grant offer.
- d. The grant offer must be digitally signed by the sponsor's legal signatory authority and then routed via email to the sponsor's attorney. Once the attorney has digitally attested to the grant, an email with the executed grant will be sent to all parties.

Subject to the requirements in 2 CFR §200.305, each Concessions Rent Relief Airport Rescue Plan Reimbursement under this grant must be made electronically via the Delphi Invoicing System. The terms and conditions of this agreement require you draw down and expend these funds within four years.

An airport sponsor may use these funds to provide rent relief to its in-terminal concessions. Please refer to the [Airport Rescue Grants Frequently Asked Questions](#) for further information.

To receive reimbursement of your Concessions Rent Relief Airport Rescue Grant funds, upload a Concessions Rent Relief Airport Rescue Plan into Delphi. The Concessions Rent Relief Airport Rescue Plan should include enough detail to permit FAA to verify compliance with the American Rescue Plan Act (Public Law 117-2).

As part of your final reimbursement request, you are required to include in Delphi:

- A signed SF-425, *Federal Financial Report*
- A signed close-out report

Until the grant is completed and closed, you are responsible for submitting a signed and dated SF-425 annually, due 90 days after the end of each Federal fiscal year in which this grant is open (due December 31 of each year this grant is open).

I am readily available to assist you and your designated representative with the requirements stated herein. The FAA sincerely values your cooperation in these efforts.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Bart Vernace". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Bart" being more prominent.

Bart Vernace, P.E.  
Manager



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**CONCESSIONS RENT RELIEF AIRPORT RESCUE**

**GRANT AGREEMENT**

**Part I - Offer**

Federal Award Offer Date December 13, 2021

Airport/Planning Area St Pete-Clearwater International Airport

Concessions Rent Relief  
Airport Rescue Grant  
Number 3-12-0075-051-2022

Unique Entity Identifier 055200216

TO: Pinellas County Board of Commissioners  
(herein called the "Sponsor")

**FROM: The United States of America** (acting through the Federal Aviation Administration, herein called the "FAA")

**WHEREAS**, the Sponsor has submitted to the FAA a Concessions Rent Relief Airport Rescue Grant Application dated November 9, 2021, for a grant of Federal funds to reimburse the Sponsor for providing relief from rent and minimum annual guarantees (MAG) to each eligible in-terminal airport concession at St Pete-Clearwater International Airport, in accordance with the American Rescue Plan Act ("ARP Act"), Public Law 117-2, Section 7102;

**WHEREAS**, the Sponsor has accepted the terms of this Concessions Rent Relief Airport Rescue Grant Offer (the "Offer");

**WHEREAS**, in consideration of the promises, representations, and assurances provided by the Sponsor, the FAA has approved the Grant Application for the St Pete-Clearwater International Airport, consisting of the following:

**WHEREAS**, this Concessions Rent Relief Airport Rescue Grant Agreement (the "Grant" or "Agreement") is provided in accordance with the ARP Act to provide certain amounts of grant assistance, as described below, to eligible sponsors in amounts to specific airports derived by legislative formula (See Section 7102 of the Act);

**WHEREAS**, this Grant hereby obligates \$783,694 to in-terminal Small Airport Concessions per the ARP Act, and \$195,923 to in-terminal Large Airport Concessions per the ARP Act. The obligations are to provide relief from rent and MAG obligations, as applicable, to each eligible in-terminal airport concession in an amount that reflects each eligible in-terminal airport concession's proportional share of the total amount of the rent and MAG at St Pete-Clearwater International Airport by legislatively prescribed category (Small or Large Airport Concession), as further defined herein, for relief provided no earlier than March 11, 2021, in accordance with an FAA-approved Concessions Rent Relief Airport Rescue Plan (herein called "the Plan"), until the funds have been fully expended;

**NOW THEREFORE**, in accordance with the applicable provisions of the ARP Act, Public Law 117-2, Section 7102, the representations contained in the Concessions Rent Relief Airport Rescue Grant Application, and in consideration of, (a) the Sponsor's acceptance of this Offer for a Grant, the terms, conditions, and assurances of this Grant Agreement ("Grant Agreement" or "Agreement"); and, (b) the benefits to accrue to the United States and the public from the accomplishment of the Grant, and in compliance with the conditions and requirements as herein provided.

**THE FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION, FOR AND ON BEHALF OF THE UNITED STATES, HEREBY OFFERS AND AGREES to pay 100% of the allowable concessions rent and MAG relief as a result of and in accordance with this Grant Agreement.**

**Assistance Listings Number (Formerly CFDA Number): 20.106**

This offer is made on and **SUBJECT TO THE FOLLOWING ADDITIONAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS:**

#### **CONDITIONS**

1. **Maximum Obligation.** The maximum obligation of the United States payable under this Offer is \$979,617, allocated as follows:
  - \$195,923 ARPA Large Concessions KY2022
  - \$783,694 ARPA Small Concessions KZ2022
2. **Grant Performance.** This Grant Agreement is subject to the following Federal award requirements:
  - a. The Period of Performance:
    1. Shall start on the date the Sponsor formally accepts this Grant and is the date signed by the last Sponsor signatory to the Grant Agreement. The end date of the Period of Performance is 4 years (1,460 calendar days) from the date of acceptance. The Period of Performance end date shall not affect, relieve, or reduce Sponsor obligations and assurances that extend beyond the closeout of this Grant.
    2. Means the total estimated time interval between the start of an initial Federal award and the planned end date, which may include one or more funded portions, or budget periods. (2 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) § 200.1)
  - b. The Budget Period:
    1. The Budget Period for this Grant is 4 years (1,460 calendar days). Pursuant to 2 CFR § 200.403(h), the Sponsor may charge to the Grant only allowable costs incurred during the Budget Period.

2. Means the time interval from the start date of a funded portion of an award to the end date of that funded portion during which the Sponsor is authorized to expend the funds awarded, including any funds carried forward or other revisions pursuant to § 200.308.
- c. Closeout and Termination.
1. Unless the FAA authorizes a written extension, the Sponsor must submit all Grant closeout documentation and liquidate (payoff) all obligations incurred under this award no later than 120 calendar days after the end date of the Period of Performance. If the Sponsor does not submit all required closeout documentation within this time period, the FAA will proceed to close out the Grant within one year of the Period of Performance end date with the information available at the end of 120 days. (2 CFR § 200.344)
  2. The FAA may terminate this Grant, in whole or in part, in accordance with the conditions set forth in 2 CFR § 200.340 or other Federal regulatory or statutory authorities as applicable.
3. **Unallowable Reimbursable Rent Relief.** The Sponsor shall not seek reimbursement for any concessions rent and MAG relief that the FAA has determined to be unallowable under the ARP Act.
  4. **Final Federal Share of Reimbursable Rent Relief.** The United States' share of allowable Grant concessions rent relief is 100%.
  5. **Completing the Grant without Delay and in Conformance with Requirements.** The Sponsor must carry out and provide the concessions rent and MAG relief without undue delays and in accordance with this Grant Agreement, the ARP Act, and the regulations, policies, standards, and procedures of the Secretary of Transportation ("Secretary"). Pursuant to 2 CFR § 200.308, the Sponsor agrees to report to the FAA any disengagement from the project eligible under the Grant that exceeds three months or a 25% reduction in time devoted to the Grant, and request prior approval from FAA. The report must include a reason for the stoppage. The Sponsor agrees to comply with the attached assurances, which are part of this Agreement and any addendum that may be attached hereto at a later date by mutual consent.
  6. **Amendments or Withdrawals before Grant Acceptance.** The FAA reserves the right to amend or withdraw this Offer at any time prior to its acceptance by the Sponsor.
  7. **Offer Expiration Date.** This Offer will expire and the United States will not be obligated to pay any part of the costs unless this Offer has been accepted by the Sponsor on or before January 28, 2022, or such subsequent date as may be prescribed in writing by the FAA.
  8. **Improper Use of Federal Funds.** The Sponsor must take all steps, including litigation if necessary, to recover Federal funds spent fraudulently, wastefully, or in violation of Federal antitrust statutes, or misused in any other manner, including uses that violate this Grant Agreement, the ARP Act, or other provision of applicable law. For the purposes of this Grant Agreement, the term "Federal funds" means funds however used or dispersed by the Sponsor that were originally paid pursuant to this or any other Federal grant agreement(s). The Sponsor must return the recovered Federal share, including funds recovered by settlement, order, or judgment, to the Secretary. The Sponsor must furnish to the Secretary, upon request, all documents and records pertaining to the determination of the amount of the Federal share or to any settlement, litigation, negotiation, or other efforts taken to recover such funds. All settlements or other final positions of the Sponsor, in court or otherwise, involving the recovery of such Federal share require advance approval by the Secretary.

9. **United States Not Liable for Damage or Injury.** The United States is not responsible or liable for damage to property or injury to persons that may arise from, or relate to, this Grant Agreement, including, but not limited to, any action taken by a Sponsor related to or arising from, directly or indirectly, this Grant Agreement.
10. **System for Award Management (SAM) Registration and Unique Entity Identifier (UEI).**
- a. Requirement for System for Award Management (SAM): Unless the Sponsor is exempted from this requirement under 2 CFR 25.110, the Sponsor must maintain the currency of its information in SAM until the Sponsor submits the final financial report required under this Grant, or receives the final payment, whichever is later. This requires that the Sponsor review and update the information at least annually after the initial registration and more frequently if required by changes in information or another award term. Additional information about registration procedures may be found at the SAM website (currently at <http://www.sam.gov>).
  - b. Unique entity identifier (UEI) means a 12-character alpha-numeric value used to identify a specific commercial, nonprofit, or governmental entity. A UEI may be obtained from SAM.gov at <https://sam.gov/SAM/pages/public/index.jsf>.
11. **Electronic Grant Payment(s).** Unless otherwise directed by the FAA, the Sponsor must make each payment request under this agreement electronically via the Delphi eInvoicing System for Department of Transportation (DOT) Financial Assistance Awardees.
12. **Air and Water Quality.** The Sponsor is required to comply with all applicable air and water quality standards for all concessions rent and MAG relief provided under this Grant. If the Sponsor fails to comply with this requirement, the FAA may suspend, cancel, or terminate this Grant Agreement.
13. **Financial Reporting and Payment Requirements.** The Sponsor will comply with all Federal financial reporting requirements and payment requirements, including submittal of timely and accurate reports.
14. **Buy American.** Unless otherwise approved in advance by the FAA, in accordance with 49 United States Code (U.S.C.) § 50101, the Sponsor will not acquire or permit any contractor or subcontractor to acquire any steel or manufactured goods produced outside the United States to be used for any project for which funds are provided under this grant. The Sponsor will include a provision implementing Buy American in every contract.
15. **Audits for Sponsors.**
- PUBLIC SPONSORS. The Sponsor must provide for a Single Audit or program-specific audit in accordance with 2 CFR Part 200. The Sponsor must submit the audit reporting package to the Federal Audit Clearinghouse on the Federal Audit Clearinghouse's Internet Data Entry System at <http://harvester.census.gov/facweb/>. Upon request of the FAA, the Sponsor shall provide one copy of the completed audit to the FAA. Sponsors that expend less than \$750,000 in Federal awards and are exempt from Federal audit requirements must make records available for review or audit by the appropriate Federal agency officials, State, and Government Accountability Office. The FAA and other appropriate Federal agencies may request additional information to meet all Federal audit requirements.
16. **Suspension or Debarment.** When entering into a "covered transaction" as defined by 2 CFR § 180.200, the Sponsor must:
- a. Verify the non-Federal entity is eligible to participate in this Federal program by:

1. Checking the excluded parties list system (EPLS) as maintained within the System for Award Management (SAM) to determine if the non-Federal entity is excluded or disqualified; or
  2. Collecting a certification statement from the non-Federal entity attesting the entity is not excluded or disqualified from participating; or
  3. Adding a clause or condition to covered transactions attesting the individual or firm is not excluded or disqualified from participating.
- b. Require prime contractors to comply with 2 CFR § 180.330 when entering into lower-tier transactions (e.g., subcontracts).
  - c. Immediately disclose to the FAA whenever the Sponsor (1) learns the Sponsor has entered into a covered transaction with an ineligible entity, or (2) suspends or debars a contractor, person, or entity.

**17. Ban on Texting While Driving.**

- a. In accordance with Executive Order 13513, Federal Leadership on Reducing Text Messaging While Driving, October 1, 2009, and DOT Order 3902.10, Text Messaging While Driving, December 30, 2009, the Sponsor is encouraged to:
  1. Adopt and enforce workplace safety policies to decrease crashes caused by distracted drivers, including policies to ban text messaging while driving when performing any work for, or on behalf of, the Federal government, including work relating to this Grant or subgrant funded by this Grant.
  2. Conduct workplace safety initiatives in a manner commensurate with the size of the business, such as:
    - A. Establishment of new rules and programs or re-evaluation of existing programs to prohibit text messaging while driving; and
    - B. Education, awareness, and other outreach to employees about the safety risks associated with texting while driving.
- b. The Sponsor must insert the substance of this clause on banning texting while driving in all subgrants, contracts, and subcontracts funded by this Grant.

**18. Trafficking in Persons.**

- a. You as the recipient, your employees, subrecipients under this Grant, and subrecipients' employees may not –
  1. Engage in severe forms of trafficking in persons during the period of time that the award is in effect;
  2. Procure a commercial sex act during the period of time that the award is in effect; or
  3. Use forced labor in the performance of the award or subawards under this Grant.
- b. The FAA as the Federal awarding agency may unilaterally terminate this award, without penalty, if you or a subrecipient that is a private entity –
  1. Is determined to have violated a prohibition in paragraph a. of this condition; or

2. Has an employee who is determined by the agency official authorized to terminate the Grant Agreement to have violated a prohibition in paragraph a. of this condition through conduct that is either –
  - A. Associated with performance under this Grant Agreement; or
  - B. Imputed to the subrecipient using the standards and due process for imputing the conduct of an individual to an organization that are provided in 2 CFR Part 180, “OMB Guidelines to Agencies on Government-wide Debarment and Suspension (Nonprocurement),” as implemented by the FAA at 2 CFR Part 1200.
- c. You must inform us immediately of any information you receive from any source alleging a violation of a prohibition in paragraph a. of this condition during this Grant Agreement.
- d. Our right to terminate unilaterally that is described in paragraph a. of this condition:
  1. Implements section 106(g) of the Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000, as amended (22 U.S.C. § 7104(g)), and
  2. Is in addition to all other remedies for noncompliance that are available to the FAA under this Grant Agreement.

**19. Employee Protection from Reprisal.**

- a. Prohibition of Reprisals —
  1. In accordance with 41 U.S.C. § 4712, an employee of a grantee or subgrantee may not be discharged, demoted, or otherwise discriminated against as a reprisal for disclosing to a person or body described in sub-paragraph a2. of this condition, information that the employee reasonably believes is evidence of:
    - a. Gross mismanagement of a Federal grant;
    - b. Gross waste of Federal funds;
    - c. An abuse of authority relating to implementation or use of Federal funds;
    - d. A substantial and specific danger to public health or safety; or
    - e. A violation of law, rule, or regulation related to a Federal grant.
  2. Persons and bodies covered: The persons and bodies to which a disclosure by an employee is covered are as follows:
    - a. A member of Congress or a representative of a committee of Congress;
    - b. An Inspector General;
    - c. The Government Accountability Office;
    - d. A Federal employee responsible for oversight or management of a grant program at the relevant agency;
    - e. A court or grand jury;
    - f. A management official or other employee of the Sponsor, contractor, or subcontractor who has the responsibility to investigate, discover, or address misconduct; or
    - g. An authorized official of the Department of Justice or other law enforcement agency.



3. Submission of Complaint — A person who believes that they have been subjected to a reprisal prohibited by paragraph a. of this section may submit a complaint regarding the reprisal to the Office of Inspector General (OIG) for the U.S. Department of Transportation.
  4. Time Limitation for Submittal of a Complaint — A complaint may not be brought under this subsection more than three years after the date on which the alleged reprisal took place.
  5. Required Actions of the Inspector General — Actions, limitations, and exceptions of the Inspector General’s office are established under 41 U.S.C. § 4712(b).
  6. Assumption of Rights to Civil Remedy — Upon receipt of an explanation of a decision not to conduct or continue an investigation by the Office of Inspector General, the person submitting a complaint assumes the right to a civil remedy under 41 U.S.C. § 4712(c).
20. **Limitations.** Nothing provided herein shall be construed to limit, cancel, annul, or modify the terms of any Federal grant agreement(s), including all terms and assurances related thereto, that have been entered into by the Sponsor and the FAA prior to the date of this Grant Agreement.
  21. **Face Coverings Policy.** The Sponsor agrees to implement a face-covering (mask) policy to combat the spread of pathogens. This policy must include a requirement that all persons wear a mask, in accordance with Centers for Disease Control (CDC) and Transportation Security Administration (TSA) requirements, as applicable, at all times while in all public areas of the airport property, except to the extent exempted under those requirements. This special condition requires the Sponsor continue to require masks until [Executive Order 13998, Promoting COVID-19 Safety in Domestic and International Travel](#) is no longer effective.
  22. **Small and Large Concessions Rent Relief Set-Asides.** The Sponsor agrees that funds under this Grant are available for the Sponsor to provide relief from rent and MAG to eligible in-terminal Small Airport Concessions, per the Act, in the amount listed in condition 1 above, and for the Sponsor to provide relief from rent and MAG to eligible in-terminal Large Airport Concessions, per the Act, in the amount listed in condition 1 above. The Sponsor shall provide relief from rent and MAG from March 11, 2021, until the Sponsor has provided relief equaling the total grant amount, to the extent practicable and to the extent permissible under State laws, local laws, and applicable trust indentures.
  23. **Concessions Rent Relief Airport Rescue Plan.** The Sponsor agrees to submit to the FAA a Concessions Rent Relief Airport Rescue Plan (“the Plan”) identifying the in-terminal Small and Large Airport Concessions, as defined in 49 CFR § 23.3, eligible to receive proportional funding under this Grant, in accordance with the ARP Act. The Sponsor agrees that the FAA will reimburse the Sponsor after the FAA accepts the Plan submitted by the Sponsor. The Sponsor agrees the Plan will include all elements as prescribed by the FAA to facilitate review of reimbursement payments that comply with the ARP Act.
  24. **Small Airport Concessions Rent Relief Set-Aside.** The Sponsor’s Plan must specify relief from rent and MAG obligations to eligible in-terminal Small Airport Concession, meaning a small concession business with gross receipts, averaged over the previous three fiscal years, of less than \$56,420,000; or joint ventures as defined in 49 CFR § 23.3. The Sponsor agrees that relief provided to eligible in-terminal Small Airport Concessions will be a proportional share based on rent and MAG collected during a baseline time-period.
  25. **Large Airport Concessions Rent Relief Set-Aside.** The Sponsor’s Plan must specify relief from rent and MAG obligations to eligible in-terminal Large Airport Concessions, meaning a concession as defined in 49 CFR § 23.3, that has gross receipts, averaged over the previous three fiscal years, of

more than \$56,420,000. The Sponsor agrees that relief provided to eligible in-terminal Large Airport Concessions will be a proportional share based on rent and MAG collected during a baseline time-period.

26. **Adjustments to Proportionality among Airport Concessions.**

- a. **Adjustments to Proportionality among Airport Concessions Set-Aside.** The Sponsor agrees that the FAA may approve reimbursement under the Act for rent and MAG relief provided to eligible in-terminal Airport Concessions on a proportional share based on rent and MAG collected during a baseline time-period. Adjustments from this proportionality amongst Airport Concessions within a respective Small or Large Concession Set-Aside are limited; must be supported by evidence and specific circumstances; and must be approved by the FAA prior to reimbursement. The Sponsor agrees the Plan will include all elements as prescribed by the FAA to facilitate review of reimbursement payments that comply with the ARP Act.
- b. **Adjustments between Small and Large Concession Set-Asides.** The Sponsor agrees that the FAA may approve reimbursement under the Act for concessions rent and MAG relief provided to eligible in-terminal Airport Concessions on a proportional share based on rent and MAG collected during a baseline time-period. Adjustments from this proportionality between Small and Large Concession Set-Asides are limited, must be supported by evidence and specific circumstances, and must be approved by the FAA prior to reimbursement. The Sponsor agrees the Plan will include all elements as prescribed by the FAA to facilitate review of reimbursement payments that comply with ARP Act.

27. **Sponsor Certification of Reimbursement Request.** To be reimbursed, the Sponsor shall provide the FAA with the Plan, and reporting data as requested, in lieu of invoices, and shall certify all information submitted is true and correct. The Sponsor may not use funds allocated herein for other airport purposes.

28. **Concession's Certification of Relief Funds.** Each airport concession to be provided relief with Grant funds shall certify to the Sponsor, prior to the Sponsor submitting a Plan, it has not and will not apply for other Federal assistance for the purpose of receiving rent and MAG relief on or after March 11, 2021.

The Sponsor's acceptance of this Offer and ratification and adoption of the Grant Application incorporated herein shall be evidenced by execution of this instrument by the Sponsor, as hereinafter provided, and this Offer and acceptance shall comprise a Grant, as provided by the ARP Act, constituting the contractual obligations and rights of the United States and the Sponsor with respect to the accomplishment of the purpose of the ARP Act and compliance with the conditions as provided herein. Further, this Grant, inclusive of all terms, conditions, and assurances provided there, and become effective upon the Sponsor's acceptance of this Offer.

**Please read the following information:** By signing this document, you are agreeing that you have reviewed the following consumer disclosure information and consent to transact business using electronic communications, to receive notices and disclosures electronically, and to utilize electronic signatures in lieu of using paper documents. You are not required to receive notices and disclosures or sign documents electronically. If you prefer not to do so, you may request to receive paper copies and withdraw your consent at any time.

Dated December 13, 2021

**UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION**



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*(Signature)*

Bart Vernace

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*(Typed Name)*

Manager

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*(Title of FAA Official)*

**Part II - Acceptance**

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The Sponsor does hereby ratify and adopt all assurances, statements, representations, warranties, covenants, and agreements contained in the Grant Application and incorporated materials referred to in the foregoing Offer under Part I of this Grant Agreement, and does hereby accept this Offer and by such acceptance agrees to comply with all of the terms and conditions in this Offer and in the Grant Application and all applicable terms and conditions provided for in the ARP Act and other applicable provisions of Federal law.

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I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct. <sup>1</sup>

Dated December 15, 2021

Pinellas County Board of Commissioners

*(Name of Sponsor)*

*Dave Eggers*

*Dave Eggers (Dec 15, 2021 15:29 EST)*

*(Signature of Sponsor's Designative Official/Representative)*

**By:** Dave Eggers

*(Type Name of Sponsor's Designative Official/Representative)*

**Title:** County Commissioner Chair

*(Title of Sponsor's Designative Official/Representative)*

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<sup>1</sup> Knowingly and willfully providing false information to the Federal government is a violation of 18 U.S.C. Section 1001 (False Statements) and could subject you to fines, imprisonment, or both.

**CERTIFICATE OF SPONSOR'S ATTORNEY**

I, Michael A. Zas , acting as Attorney for the Sponsor do hereby certify:

That in my opinion the Sponsor is empowered to enter into the foregoing Grant Agreement under the laws of the State of Florida. Further, I have examined the foregoing Grant Agreement and the actions taken by said Sponsor and Sponsor's official representative has been duly authorized and that the execution thereof is in all respects due and proper and in accordance with the laws of the said State and the ARP Act. The Sponsor understands funding made available under this Grant Agreement may only be used for concessions and MAG Relief. Further, it is my opinion the foregoing Grant Agreement constitutes a legal and binding obligation of the Sponsor in accordance with the terms thereof.

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Dated at December 15, 2021

By: Michael A. Zas  
Michael A. Zas (Dec 15, 2021 15:58 EST)  

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*(Signature of Sponsor's Attorney)*

## CONCESSIONS RENT RELIEF AIRPORT RESCUE GRANT ASSURANCES

### AIRPORT SPONSORS

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#### A. General.

1. These Concession Rent Relief Airport Rescue Grant Assurances are required to be submitted as part of the application by sponsors requesting funds under the provisions of the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (“ARP Act,” or “the Act”), Public Law 117-2. As used herein, the term “public agency sponsor” means a public agency with control of a public-use airport; the term “private sponsor” means a private owner of a public-use airport; and the term “sponsor” includes both public agency sponsors and private sponsors.
2. Upon acceptance of this Grant Offer by the sponsor, these assurances are incorporated into and become part of this Concessions Rent Relief Airport Rescue Grant Agreement.

#### B. Sponsor Certification.

The sponsor hereby assures and certifies, with respect to this Grant, that:

It will comply with all applicable Federal laws, regulations, executive orders, policies, guidelines, and requirements as they relate to the application, acceptance, and use of Federal funds for this Grant including, but not limited to, the following:

#### FEDERAL LEGISLATION

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- a. 49 U.S.C. Chapter 471, as applicable
- b. Davis-Bacon Act — 40 U.S.C. 276(a), et. seq.
- c. Federal Fair Labor Standards Act — 29 U.S.C. 201, et. seq.
- d. Hatch Act — 5 U.S.C. 1501, et. seq.<sup>2</sup>
- e. Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970 Title 42 U.S.C. 4601, et. seq.
- f. National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 — Section 106 — 16 U.S.C. 470(f).
- g. Archeological and Historic Preservation Act of 1974 — 16 U.S.C. 469 through 469c.
- h. Native Americans Grave Repatriation Act — 25 U.S.C. Section 3001, et. seq.
- i. Clean Air Act, P.L. 90-148, as amended.
- j. Coastal Zone Management Act, P.L. 93-205, as amended.
- k. Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973 — Section 102(a) — 42 U.S.C. 4012a.
- l. Title 49, U.S.C., Section 303, (formerly known as Section 4(f)).
- m. Rehabilitation Act of 1973 — 29 U.S.C. 794.
- n. Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. § 2000d et seq., 78 stat. 252) (prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin).
- o. Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, as amended, (42 U.S.C. § 12101 et seq.), prohibits discrimination on the basis of disability).
- p. Age Discrimination Act of 1975 — 42 U.S.C. 6101, et. seq.

- q. American Indian Religious Freedom Act, P.L. 95-341, as amended.
- r. Architectural Barriers Act of 1968 — 42 U.S.C. 4151, et. seq.
- s. Power plant and Industrial Fuel Use Act of 1978 — Section 403- 2 U.S.C. 8373.
- t. Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act — 40 U.S.C. 327, et. seq.
- u. Copeland Anti-kickback Act — 18 U.S.C. 874.1.
- v. National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 — 42 U.S.C. 4321, et. seq.
- w. Wild and Scenic Rivers Act, P.L. 90-542, as amended.
- x. Single Audit Act of 1984 — 31 U.S.C. 7501, et. seq.<sup>2</sup>
- y. Drug-Free Workplace Act of 1988 — 41 U.S.C. 702 through 706.
- z. The Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency Act of 2006, as amended (Pub. L. 109-282, as amended by section 6202 of Pub. L. 110-252).

#### **EXECUTIVE ORDERS**

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- a. Executive Order 11246 – Equal Employment Opportunity
- b. Executive Order 11990 – Protection of Wetlands
- c. Executive Order 11998 – Flood Plain Management
- d. Executive Order 12372 – Intergovernmental Review of Federal Programs
- e. Executive Order 12699 – Seismic Safety of Federal and Federally Assisted New Building Construction
- f. Executive Order 12898 – Environmental Justice
- g. Executive Order 14005 – Ensuring the Future Is Made in All of America by All of America's Workers.

#### **FEDERAL REGULATIONS**

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- a. 2 CFR Part 180 – OMB Guidelines to Agencies on Governmentwide Debarment and Suspension (Nonprocurement).
- b. 2 CFR Part 200 – Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards.<sup>3,4</sup>
- c. 2 CFR Part 1200 – Nonprocurement Suspension and Debarment.
- d. 28 CFR Part 35 – Discrimination on the Basis of Disability in State and Local Government Services.
- e. 28 CFR § 50.3 – U.S. Department of Justice Guidelines for Enforcement of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964.
- f. 29 CFR Part 1 – Procedures for predetermination of wage rates.<sup>1</sup>
- g. 29 CFR Part 3 – Contractors and subcontractors on public building or public work financed in whole or part by loans or grants from the United States.<sup>1</sup>

- h. 29 CFR Part 5 – Labor standards provisions applicable to contracts covering Federally financed and assisted construction (also labor standards provisions applicable to non-construction contracts subject to the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act).<sup>1</sup>
- i. 41 CFR Part 60 – Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs, Equal Employment Opportunity, Department of Labor (Federal and Federally assisted contracting requirements).<sup>1</sup>
- j. 49 CFR Part 20 – New restrictions on lobbying.
- k. 49 CFR Part 21 – Nondiscrimination in Federally assisted programs of the Department of Transportation - effectuation of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964.
- l. 49 CFR Part 23 – Participation by Disadvantage Business Enterprise in Airport Concessions.
- m. 49 CFR Part 26 – Participation by Disadvantaged Business Enterprises in Department of Transportation Program.
- n. 49 CFR Part 27 – Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Handicap in Programs and Activities Receiving or Benefiting from Federal Financial Assistance.<sup>1</sup>
- o. 49 CFR Part 28 – Enforcement of Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Handicap in Programs or Activities conducted by the Department of Transportation.
- p. 49 CFR Part 30 – Denial of public works contracts to suppliers of goods and services of countries that deny procurement market access to U.S. contractors.
- q. 49 CFR Part 32 – Government-wide Requirements for Drug-Free Workplace (Financial Assistance).
- r. 49 CFR Part 37 – Transportation Services for Individuals with Disabilities (ADA).
- s. 49 CFR Part 41 – Seismic safety of Federal and Federally assisted or regulated new building construction.

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#### **FOOTNOTES TO CONCESSIONS RENT RELIEF AIRPORT RESCUE GRANT ASSURANCE B**

- <sup>1</sup> These laws do not apply to airport planning sponsors.
- <sup>2</sup> These laws do not apply to private sponsors.
- <sup>3</sup> Cost principles established in 2 CFR Part 200 subpart E must be used as guidelines for determining the eligibility of specific types of expenses.
- <sup>4</sup> Audit requirements established in 2 CFR Part 200 subpart F are the guidelines for audits.

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#### **SPECIFIC ASSURANCES**

Specific assurances required to be included in grant agreements by any of the above laws, regulations, or circulars are incorporated by reference in this Grant Agreement.

##### **1. Purpose Directly Related to the Airport**

It certifies that the reimbursement sought is for a purpose directly related to the airport.

##### **2. Responsibility and Authority of the Sponsor.**

###### **a. Public Agency Sponsor:**

It has legal authority to apply for this Grant, and to finance and carry out the proposed grant; that an official decision has been made by the applicant's governing body authorizing the filing of the application, including all understandings and assurances contained therein, and directing



and authorizing the person identified as the official representative of the applicant to act in connection with the application and to provide such additional information as may be required.

b. Private Sponsor:

It has legal authority to apply for this Grant and to finance and carry out the proposed Grant and comply with all terms, conditions, and assurances of this Grant Agreement. It shall designate an official representative and shall in writing direct and authorize that person to file this application, including all understandings and assurances contained therein; to act in connection with this application; and to provide such additional information as may be required.

**3. Good Title.**

It, a public agency or the Federal government, holds good title, satisfactory to the Secretary, to the landing area of the airport or site thereof, or will give assurance satisfactory to the Secretary that good title will be acquired.

**4. Preserving Rights and Powers.**

- a. It will not take or permit any action which would operate to deprive it of any of the rights and powers necessary to perform any or all of the terms, conditions, and assurances in this Grant Agreement without the written approval of the Secretary, and will act promptly to acquire, extinguish, or modify any outstanding rights or claims of right of others which would interfere with such performance by the sponsor. This shall be done in a manner acceptable to the Secretary.
- b. If the sponsor is a private sponsor, it will take steps satisfactory to the Secretary to ensure that the airport will continue to function as a public-use airport in accordance with this Grant Agreement.
- c. If an arrangement is made for management and operation of the airport by any agency or person other than the sponsor or an employee of the sponsor, the sponsor will reserve sufficient rights and authority to insure that the airport will be operated and maintained in accordance Title 49, United States Code, the regulations, and the terms and conditions of this Grant Agreement.

**5. Accounting System, Audit, and Record Keeping Requirements.**

- a. It shall keep all Grant accounts and records which fully disclose the amount and disposition by the recipient of the proceeds of this Grant, the total cost of the Grant in connection with which this Grant is given or used, and the amount or nature of that portion of the cost of the Grant supplied by other sources, and such other financial records pertinent to the Grant. The accounts and records shall be kept in accordance with an accounting system that will facilitate an effective audit in accordance with the Single Audit Act of 1984.
- b. It shall make available to the Secretary and the Comptroller General of the United States, or any of their duly authorized representatives, for the purpose of audit and examination, any books, documents, papers, and records of the recipient that are pertinent to this Grant. The Secretary may require that an appropriate audit be conducted by a recipient. In any case in which an independent audit is made of the accounts of a sponsor relating to the disposition of the proceeds of a Grant or relating to the Grant in connection with which this Grant was given or used, it shall file a certified copy of such audit with the Comptroller General of the United

States not later than six (6) months following the close of the fiscal year for which the audit was made.

**6. Exclusive Rights.**

The sponsor shall not grant an exclusive right to use an air navigation facility on which this Grant has been expended. However, providing services at an airport by only one fixed-based operator is not an exclusive right if—

- a. it is unreasonably costly, burdensome, or impractical for more than one fixed-based operator to provide the services; and
- b. allowing more than one fixed-based operator to provide the services requires a reduction in space leased under an agreement existing on September 3, 1982, between the operator and the airport.

**7. Airport Revenues.**

- a. The Sponsor agrees that funds under this Grant are available for the Sponsor to provide relief from rent and MAG to eligible in-terminal Airport Concessions, per the ARP Act. Apart from this relief, in no event shall airport revenue or grant reimbursement proceeds be used for any purpose beyond the capital or operating costs of the airport; the local airport system; or other local facilities which are owned or operated by the owner or operator of the airport(s).

**8. Reports and Inspections.**

It will:

- a. submit to the Secretary such annual or special financial and operations reports as the Secretary may reasonably request and make such reports available to the public; make available to the public at reasonable times and places a report of the airport budget in a format prescribed by the Secretary;
- b. in a format and time prescribed by the Secretary, provide to the Secretary and make available to the public following each of its fiscal years, an annual report listing in detail:
  1. all amounts paid by the airport to any other unit of government and the purposes for which each such payment was made; and
  2. all services and property provided by the airport to other units of government and the amount of compensation received for provision of each such service and property.

**9. Civil Rights.**

It will promptly take any measures necessary to ensure that no person in the United States shall, on the grounds of race, creed, color, national origin, sex, age, or disability be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination in any activity conducted with, or benefiting from, funds received from this Grant.

- a. Using the definitions of activity, facility, and program as found and defined in §§ 21.23 (b) and 21.23 (e) of 49 CFR Part 21, the sponsor will facilitate all programs, operate all facilities, or conduct all programs in compliance with all non-discrimination requirements imposed by or pursuant to these assurances.
- b. Applicability

1. Programs and Activities. If the sponsor has received a grant (or other Federal assistance) for any of the sponsor's program or activities, these requirements extend to all of the sponsor's programs and activities.
2. Facilities. Where it receives a grant or other Federal financial assistance to construct, expand, renovate, remodel, alter, or acquire a facility, or part of a facility, the assurance extends to the entire facility and facilities operated in connection therewith.
3. Real Property. Where the sponsor receives a grant or other Federal financial assistance in the form of, or for the acquisition of, real property or an interest in real property, the assurance will extend to rights to space on, over, or under such property.

c. Duration

The sponsor agrees that it is obligated to this assurance for the period during which Federal financial assistance is extended to the program, except where the Federal financial assistance is to provide, or is in the form of, personal property, or real property, or interest therein, or structures or improvements thereon, in which case the assurance obligates the sponsor, or any transferee for the longer of the following periods:

1. So long as the airport is used as an airport, or for another purpose involving the provision of similar services or benefits; or
2. So long as the sponsor retains ownership or possession of the property.

d. Required Solicitation Language

It will include the following notification in all solicitations for bids, Requests for Proposals for work, or material under this Grant and in all proposals for agreements, including airport concessions, regardless of funding source:

"The Pinellas County Board of Commissioners, in accordance with the provisions of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (78 Stat. 252, 42 U.S.C. §§ 2000d to 2000d-4) and the Regulations, hereby notifies all bidders that it will affirmatively ensure that for any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, disadvantaged business enterprises and airport concession disadvantaged business enterprises will be afforded full and fair opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, or national origin in consideration for an award."

e. Required Contract Provisions.

1. It will insert the non-discrimination contract clauses requiring compliance with the acts and regulations relative to non-discrimination in Federally assisted programs of the DOT, and incorporating the acts and regulations into the contracts by reference in every contract or agreement subject to the non-discrimination in Federally assisted programs of the DOT Acts and regulations.
2. It will include a list of the pertinent non-discrimination authorities in every contract that is subject to the non-discrimination acts and regulations.
3. It will insert non-discrimination contract clauses as a covenant running with the land, in any deed from the United States effecting or recording a transfer of real property, structures, use, or improvements thereon or interest therein to a sponsor.
4. It will insert non-discrimination contract clauses prohibiting discrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin, creed, sex, age, or handicap as a covenant running with the

land, in any future deeds, leases, license, permits, or similar instruments entered into by the sponsor with other parties:

- A. For the subsequent transfer of real property acquired or improved under the applicable activity, grant, or program; and
- B. For the construction or use of, or access to, space on, over, or under real property acquired or improved under the applicable activity, grant, or program.
- C. It will provide for such methods of administration for the program as are found by the Secretary to give reasonable guarantee that it, other recipients, sub-recipients, sub-grantees, contractors, subcontractors, consultants, transferees, successors in interest, and other participants of Federal financial assistance under such program will comply with all requirements imposed or pursuant to the acts, the regulations, and this assurance.
- D. It agrees that the United States has a right to seek judicial enforcement with regard to any matter arising under the acts, the regulations, and this assurance.

#### **10. Foreign Market Restrictions.**

It will not allow funds provided under this Grant to be used to fund any activity that uses any product or service of a foreign country during the period in which such foreign country is listed by the United States Trade Representative as denying fair and equitable market opportunities for products and suppliers of the United States in procurement and construction.

#### **11. Disadvantaged Business Enterprises.**

The sponsor shall not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin or sex in the award and performance of any DOT-assisted contract covered by 49 CFR Part 26, or in the award and performance of any concession activity contract covered by 49 CFR Part 23. In addition, the sponsor shall not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin or sex in the administration of its Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) and Airport Concessions Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (ACDBE) programs or the requirements of 49 CFR Parts 23 and 26. The sponsor shall take all necessary and reasonable steps under 49 CFR Parts 23 and 26 to ensure nondiscrimination in the award and administration of DOT-assisted contracts, and/or concession contracts. The sponsor's DBE and ACDBE programs, as required by 49 CFR Parts 26 and 23, and as approved by DOT, are incorporated by reference in this agreement. Implementation of these programs is a legal obligation and failure to carry out its terms shall be treated as a violation of this agreement. Upon notification to the sponsor of its failure to carry out its approved program, the Department may impose sanctions as provided for under Parts 26 and 23 and may, in appropriate cases, refer the matter for enforcement under 18 U.S.C. 1001 and/or the Program Fraud Civil Remedies Act of 1936 (31 U.S.C. 3801).