

From: [Wexler, Samantha](#)
To: [Rice, Joan](#); [Grants, OMB](#)
Cc: [Oliver, Auria](#)
Subject: RE: Transportation Regional Incentive Program Intent to Apply
Date: Monday, April 24, 2023 8:14:46 AM
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Hi Joan,

Please disregard the blank email sent to you just a few minutes ago. It should not be an issue since you are already seeking board approval. Make sure that they are aware of this change. Please see the message below.

OMB has no objection to *Public Works - Transportation* submitting a grant application to the **Florida Department of Transportation** for the **Transportation Regional Incentive Program (TRIP)** grant which will benefit the County by adding another connection in the Gateway Area of Pinellas Park at 126th Ave N through roadway gap filling and widening, bridge construction, sidewalk and trail.

This is a **multi-year reimbursement** grant project that will likely impact FY24-FY28. The total **requested funding is \$ 18,750,000.00** with **\$18,750,000.00 expected match**. The total project is estimated to cost \$37,500,000.00.

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From: Wexler, Samantha

Sent: Monday, April 24, 2023 8:08 AM

To: Rice, Joan <jrice@pinellas.gov>

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From: Rice, Joan <jrice@pinellas.gov>

Sent: Sunday, April 23, 2023 9:35 AM

To: Wexler, Samantha <swexler@pinellas.gov>; Grants, OMB <grants@pinellas.gov>

Cc: Oliver, Auria <auoliver@pinellas.gov>

Subject: RE: Transportation Regional Incentive Program Intent to Apply

Hi Samantha,

While preparing the application and support documentation for the 126th Ave TRIP Grant, I found that the project will cost a lot more than what I included in the Intent to Apply in March. Originally I requested \$9.5M with a \$9.5M match for design and construction. I have revised the amount for \$18.75M with a \$18.75M match. Attached is an undated director's memo with the new request. The CIP has \$19.35M budgeted for design and construction, so we have the match available.

Will you please approve this revised dollar amount? The staff report, application and support documentation are ready to be uploaded into Legistar for the June 13 BCC meeting agenda.

Thank you,
Joan

Joan Rice, PE, RSP1

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From: Wexler, Samantha <swexler@pinellas.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, March 14, 2023 12:03 PM
To: Grants, OMB <grants@pinellas.gov>; Rice, Joan <jrice@pinellas.gov>
Cc: Oliver, Auria <auoliver@pinellas.gov>
Subject: RE: Transportation Regional Incentive Program Intent to Apply

Correction: We spoke earlier on Friday.

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From: Grants, OMB
Sent: Tuesday, March 14, 2023 12:01 PM
To: Rice, Joan <jrice@pinellas.gov>
Cc: Oliver, Auria <auoliver@pinellas.gov>
Subject: RE: Transportation Regional Incentive Program Intent to Apply

Hi Joan,

After speaking with my supervisor, Auria, we both found that there were some pertinent questions that were not quite answered when you and I spoke earlier today.

1. The project number is helpful for future use, but we need a little more information regarding the center/fund/program. Is this project part of another program, such as ARPA or Penny?
2. When I added the match to the indicated funding amount, it did not match the total of \$39,350,000.00. Would you please explain how this amount was reached?
3. The benefits summary does provide good information on where the construction is going to take place; however, it does not provide specific details on how this project will benefit the county. Would you please clarify how this project will benefit the county's residents and visitors, what needs are being met, how these needs will be met, etc?
4. Because Pinellas County is not specifically eligible to apply to this grant, is this project part of a larger regional project that Pinellas County is part of?
5. Is Pinellas County submitting this grant on behalf of an MPO? We ask this because it appears that, again, because Pinellas County is not specifically eligible to apply to this grant.

We look forward to your response.

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From: Grants, OMB <grants@pinellas.gov>
Sent: Friday, March 10, 2023 11:12 AM
To: Rice, Joan <jrice@pinellas.gov>; Hammer Levy, Kelli <klevy@pinellas.gov>; Crowley, Tim P <tcrowley@pinellas.gov>
Cc: Oliver, Auria <auoliver@pinellas.gov>; OMB Grants Team <ombgrantsteam@pinellas.gov>

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From: Grants <no-reply@sharepointonline.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 9, 2023 5:06 PM
To: Wexler, Samantha <swexler@pinellas.gov>
Subject: Grants Database - Transportation Regional Incentive...

[Tranportation Regional Incentive...](#) has been added



Rice, Joan

3/9/2023 5:05 PM

Program Manager: Rice, Joan

Program Manager Phone #: 17274648610

County Department: Public Works - Transportation

Director's Name: Hammer Levy, Kelli

Application Submitter: Rice, Joan

OMB Analyst (CIP or Operating): Crowley, Tim P

Granting Agency: Florida Department of Transportation

CFDA/CSFA #:

Funding Opportunity Link: [FDOT Grant Application Portal](#)

Grant Funding Program Name: Tranportation Regional Incentive Program (TRIP)

Grant Funding Type: Project

Grant Award Type: Reimbursement

Grant Funding Program Funding Cap (\$):

Amount Requested: \$9,500,000.00

Does this Grant Cover Administrative or Management Costs?: No

Amount Requested to Cover Administrative or Management Costs: \$0.00

What fiscal year(s) will the award amount be made available?: FY24-28

Match Amount: \$9,500,000.00

Required Match Type: Cash

Anticipated Match Source (Fund/Center/Program): 002925A

Is the Match in the Current Budget?: Yes

Will the Match need to be added to the Budget?: No

Total Cost of Project (including Grant, County match, and other Resources): \$39,350,000.00

Granting Agency Contact Name: Suzanne Monk, FCCM

Granting Agency Phone or Email: 813-975-6721

Granting Agency Address: 11201 N. McKinley Drive, Tampa, FL 33612

OPUS Project Title: 126th Avenue N Improvements from 34th Street N to US Hwy 19

Duration: Multi Year

Proposed Abstract (Project Scope of Work): Roadway gap filling and widening, bridge construction, sidewalk and trail

Benefit Summary (How will this benefit the County, Dept, etc?): 126th Avenue N will add another connection in the Gateway Area. Currently the roadway is broken in two locations.

Director Approval (Attach): Yes

Is the proposal submitted for a different Department?: No

If submitting for a different department, what is that department name?:

Grant Application Due Date: 6/1/2023

Source of Notification of Grant Solicitation: Administering Agency

If Other, provide source:

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Grant Status: Submitted to OMB

OPUS Project #:

Grant Contract #:

Award Amount:

OMB Comments:

Granicus #: