



# 2019-2020 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. If additional space is needed, attach a word document with your entire answer.

## **Governmental Entity Information**

Name of Governmental Entity: Pinellas County Board of County Commissioners Government Federal Employer Identification Number 59-6000800

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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 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:

(If additional space is needed, attach a word document with your entire answer.)

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

A. Provide a detailed description of the public infrastructure improvements.

Provide design services for a parallel taxiway that tracks 4,400 linear feet along the southeast side of Runway 04/22 and 3,000 linear feet along the east side of Runway 18/36. This project also (cont'd)

**B.** Provide location of public infrastructure, including physical address and county of project.

St. Pete-Clearwater International Airport (PIE), 14700 Terminal Boulevard, Clearwater, Florida 33762. Pinellas County

C. Is this infrastructure currently owned by the public?

If no, is there a current option to purchase or right of way provided to the County?

D. Provide current property owner.

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E. Is this infrastructure for public use or does it predominately benefit the public?

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	🖸 Yes	🖸 No	
The new parallel taxiway will provide runway connectivity to a 130-acre undeveloped parcel ("Airco") that will enable PIE to construct new aviation-related development that will (cont'd)			

**F.** Will the public infrastructure improvements be for the exclusive benefit of any single company, corporation or business entity?

🖸 Yes 🛛 🖸 No

No; in keeping with Pinellas County purchasing policy, this land development will be competitively bid in a Request for Negotiation for either a single developer or a combination of several developers.

- **G.** 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).
    - Describe how the project will promote specific job growth. Include the number of jobs that will be retained or created, and in which industry(ies) the new net jobs will be created using the North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) codes. Where applicable, you may list specific businesses that will retain or create jobs or make capital investment.
    - 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.

Providing airfield connectivity to this Airco site is critical to enable PIE to meet the demand for future increased aircraft operations as projected in PIE's most recent FAA-approved forecasts (April 2018). It is expected that additional aircraft activity beyond the FAA's Terminal Area Forecast will be generated as a result of the development of Airco. The induced aircraft operational activity as a result of this development is expected to increase aircraft operations beyond the FAA's Terminal Area Forecast by 2.9% in 2021 and 5.6% by 2026. (cont'd)

# 2. Additional Information:

(If additional space is needed, attach a word document with your entire answer.)

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

The proposed design project schedule is as follows: Begin Design: June 2020; Complete Design: March 2021 (300 days) The proposed construction schedule is as follows: Begin Construction: October 2021; (cont'd)

B. What permits are necessary for the public infrastructure project?

Permits necessary for this project are to be determined during the design process. However, because this is an airport taxiway project, we expect that construction permits will be acquired by the contractor from Pinellas County as well as the State's Southwest Florida Water Management District to handle drainage and storm water created by the construction.



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C. 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?

Because the design process has not begun, no permits have been secured for this project yet. The permits will be prioritized because of the project's importance to the Tampa Bay Gateway region.

**D.** 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?

Because the taxiway construction is located on PIE's airfield, the Airport Zoning chapter from Pinellas County Municipal Code is found at the link on the attached page. (cont'd)

E. 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.

An amendment to the local comprehensive plan has already taken place for construction on the Airco property; none is needed for taxiway construction.

O Yes

Yes

O No

O No

C No

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

If Pinellas County is awarded this grant, the grant must be approved by the Board of County Commissioners which is a 6-8 week long process. After the grant is signed, then the procurement process must take place for a General Engineering Consultant to perform the work. The (cont'd)

**G.** Does this project have a local match amount?

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

PIE's Airport Fund would provide a 10% match.

**H.** Provide any additional information or attachments to be considered for this proposal. Maps and other supporting documents are encouraged.

See the attached map with the proposed taxiway locations noted.

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### 3. Program Budget

(If additional space is needed, attach a word document with your entire answer.)

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

1.)	Total Amount Requested	<b>\$</b> 1,897,380	
	Florida Job Growth Grant Fund		
A.	Other Workforce Training Proje City/County Private Sources	ct Funding Sources: <u>\$</u> 210,820 \$	
	Other (grants, etc.) <b>Total Other Funding</b>	\$ <b>\$</b> 2,108,200	Please Specify:
в.	Public Infrastructure Project Fu	nding Sources:	
	Construction	\$	
	Reconstruction	\$	
	Design & Engineering	<u>\$</u> 2,108,200	
	Land Acquisition	\$	
	Land Improvement	\$	
	Other	\$	Please Specify:
	Total Project Costs	<b>\$</b> 2,108,200	

**Note:** The total amount requested must equal the difference between the workforce training project costs in 3. and the other Public infrastructure project funding sources in 2.

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

The design and construction of the "Airco" parallel taxiways is already listed in PIE's Capital Improvement Program (CIP) with Pinellas County beginning in FY2020 and ending in FY2022. There would not require any other adjustments to our CIP, unless the bids exceed the estimates in this document or the timing of the project changes. When the Board of County Commissioners passes its annual budget, the CIP is also approved.

## 4. Approvals and Authority

(If additional space is needed, attach a word document with your entire answer.)

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)?

If Pinellas County is awarded this grant, the grant must be approved by the Board of County Commissioners which is a 6-8 week long contract review process.

If board authorization is not required, who is authorized to sign? N/A

- **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.
  - ii. State whether entity is willing and able to hold special meetings, and if so, upon how many days' notice.

i. Here are a list of upcoming meetings: August 20; September 12; September 24; October 8; October 22; November 12; December 10; January 7; January 21; February 4; February 18. January and February meetings have yet to be confirmed until the beginning of the new fiscal year in October.

**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.

The Board of County Commissioners' power to execute this proposal and accept a grant falls within the Pinellas County Charter, which is found at:

https://library.municode.com/fl/pinellas\_county/codes/code\_of\_ordinances?nodeld=PTICH



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I, the undersigned, do hereby certify that I have express authority to sign this proposal on behalf of the above-described entity and to the best of my knowledge, that all data and information submitted in proposal is truthful and accurate and no material fact has been omitted.

Pinellas County Board of County Commissioners me of Governmental Entity:		
Name and Title of Authorized Representative:	Karen Williams Seel, Chair	
Representative Signature:		
Signature Date:		

