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 Plantation - Pine Island Park Field Re-construction

Government Federal Employer Identification Number: ____________

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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.

Pine Island Park Project - The City of Plantation has conceptualized the complete re-construction of Pine Island Park. All seven fields will be completely re-designed to address drainage. Six (6) of the fields will be re-constructed as grass turf fields.

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.

Currently Pine Island Park is host to the Plantation Athletic League’s youth soccer program which serves approximately 1,200 recreational soccer players and 300 travel soccer participants per year. The park also serves as the playing fields for two adult soccer leagues as well as a multitude of local, regional and national soccer and lacrosse tournaments. In 2016, the athletic tournaments held at Pine Island Park hosted 34,346 participants and 51,519 spectators. These events were responsible for $3.9 million in direct economic impact for the local economy.

See attached document for additional information.
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.

The City of Plantation will, through its competitive procurement process, hire approximately 35 people for this project. The types of construction positions the City will hire will be design professionals. Currently Pine Island Park is host to the Plantation Athletic League’s youth soccer program which serves approximately 1,200 recreational soccer players and 300 travel soccer participants per year. The park also serves as the playing fields for two adult soccer leagues as well as a multitude of local, regional and national soccer and lacrosse tournaments. In 2016, the athletic tournaments held at Pine Island Park hosted 34,346 participants and 51,519 spectators. These events were responsible for $3.9 million in direct economic impact for the local economy.

Once the renovations of Pine Island Park are complete, an increase of several thousand participants and spectators is expected. With improved drainage, maintenance and turnaround time for field preparation will decrease which will allow more time for games and practices. The new, state-of-the-art facility will be an ideal location to serve the growing number of Plantation residents and host additional sporting and community events. With the current field conditions and drainage issues, play at the park is at its height during the Fall and Winter months and limited during our rainy season. With improved infrastructure support, the Parks and Recreation Department will be able to increase programming with 2 additional leagues and several more outdoor events (adult leagues, tournaments, outdoor festivals, etc.). This increased programming will have a direct positive impact on local hotels, restaurants, local attractions, businesses in our community and provide the City of Plantation and the local community with approximately $2 million dollars from the increased number of leagues and events.
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.
   See the attached document for this response.

C. What is the location of the public infrastructure? (Provide the road number, if applicable.)
   320 South Pine Island Road, Plantation, Florida 33324

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?
   See the attached document for this response.

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?
   Storm water management and water/wastewater agency permits anticipated to be secured by June 2018. A City of Plantation building permit is anticipated to be secured by October 2018.

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?
   The zoning designation for this property is "mixed-use" and the land use designation is "Parks/Community Facility". No future land use and zoning designations on this site is needed for this infrastructure improvements. The improvements discussed in this document will conform to the uses designated.
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

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

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

☑ Yes  ☐ No

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

J. Does this project have a local match amount?

☑ Yes  ☐ No

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

The City of Plantation has allocated $3 million dollars for this project, as indicated in Section 3B below.

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

If additional space is needed, attach a word document with your entire answer.
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: $1,500,000.00
   - Reconstruction: $4,150,000.00
   - Design & Engineering: $350,000.00
   - Land Acquisition: $0
   - Land Improvement: $0

   Other: $0

   Please Specify: __________

   Total Project Costs: $6,000,000.00

B. Other Public Infrastructure Project Funding Sources:
   - City/County: $3,000,000.00
   - Private Sources: $0

   Other (grants, etc.): $0

   Please Specify: __________

   Total Other Funding: $3,000,000.00

Total Amount Requested: $3,000,000.00

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.

A Request for Qualifications (RFQ) was solicited in June 2017 to provide professional services for the subject project. The City anticipates having a firm under contract and commencing with design by January 2018. Construction is currently projected to commence in October 2018 and be completed by January 2019.
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)?

      The City of Plantation's Council will approve the agreements for this project.

   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.

         See the attached document for this response.

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

         Yes, upon a two day public notice, the City of Plantation can hold a meeting.

   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.

Name of Governmental Entity: City of Plantation

Name and Title of Authorized Representative: Horace McHugh

Representative Signature: [Signature]

Signature Date: 9/25/17
**Pine Island Park Improvements**

Page 2, 1e, 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.

The City of Plantation hosts 21 athletic events such as softball, lacrosse, flag football and soccer within the City’s Parks and Recreation fields such as Pine Island Park. From these events hosted, 40,000 regional, national and international athletes participate and 115,000 spectators attend these events. The economic impact is $8.6 million dollars to the local community. Therefore, once the renovations of Pine Island Park are complete, an increase of several thousand participants and spectators are expected. With improved drainage, maintenance and turnaround time for field preparation will decrease which will allow several more months for games and practices. With additional participants and events, the City and the surrounding restaurants, hotels and other attractions within the region will enjoy an increase of local community revenue impact of approximately $2 million dollars.

The new, state-of-the-art facility will be an ideal location to serve the growing number of Plantation residents and host additional sporting and community events. With the current field conditions and drainage issues, play at the park is at its height during the Fall and Winter months and limited during our rainy season. With improved infrastructure support, the Parks and Recreation Department will be able to increase programming (adult leagues, tournaments, outdoor festivals, etc.). This increased programming will have a direct positive impact on local hotels, restaurants, local attractions, businesses in our community and provide the City of Plantation additional revenue from the increase number of events.

Along with South Florida’s favorable year-round climate and central location in Broward County, Pine Island Park is easily accessible to the millions of residents in Miami-Dade, Palm Beach and Broward Counties. Out of state and International travelers can easily access the park through Ft. Lauderdale-Hollywood International Airport and Miami International Airport.

Pine Island Park consists of seven (7) multi-purpose natural grass fields, separate small concession/storage and restroom buildings and a modest parking lot located at the north end of Pine Island Park. This recreation facility is heavily used today for sanctioned soccer programs. There is a demand to accommodate additional sanctioned sports such as Lacrosse. The existing building and parking facilities struggle to meet existing needs and simply will not be capable of meeting planned future needs. Additionally, the existing grass turf fields suffer with poor drainage, resulting in flooded fields during even modest rain events, halting play and disrupting planned events.

Page 4, 2b, please provide the expected start date and the length of this project.

A Request for Qualifications (RFQ) was solicited in June 2017 to provide professional services for the subject project. The City anticipates having a firm under contract and commencing with design by January 2018. Construction is currently projected to commence in October 2018 and be completed by January 2019.
Page 4, 2e, what permits are necessary for this project?

The subject project is anticipated to require outside agency approvals/permits through the Old Plantation Water Control District for storm water management, Broward County for water/wastewater and the City of Plantation Building Department for Florida Building Code compliance.

Page 5, 2i, is the project ready to commence upon grant fund approval and contract execution?

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Page 7, 4B, Provide the schedule of upcoming meetings for the group for a period of at least six months.

The City of Plantation’s Council meets twice a month on Wednesday night at 7:30 pm. The following are the City of Plantation Council meeting dates:

8/23/17 9/6/17
9/13/17 10/11/17
10/25/17 11/8/17
11/15/17 12/6/17
12/13/17 1/10/18
1/25/17 2/8/18
2/22/18
Sec. 2-129. - Chief administrative officer.

The chief administrative officer is a senior executive of the city who serves under the general supervision and direction of the mayor. The Charter of Plantation provides that the mayor is the chief executive officer of the city. The chief administrative officer is the department head of the administration. The chief administrative officer does not occupy a municipal office; therefore, while the chief administrative officer has the general authority to supervise and direct other department heads in the exercise of their administrative functions and duties, the chief administrative officer does not possess or enjoy any sovereign law enforcement or life safety power of the city, and consequently, cannot direct department heads vested with such power with respect to whether or the manner in which they choose to exercise or not exercise such power. The chief administrative officer has the specific authority to: negotiate and execute contracts, liability indemnifications, licenses, easements, deeds, notes, and satisfactions or releases of liens or claims or interests in real property; make administer, and perform legal undertakings, including effecting or approving purchases or payments; and make decisions binding on the city during various types of negotiations or legal proceedings. The chief administrative officer shall additionally perform such other duties and functions and tasks as may be directed by the mayor.

(Ord. No. 2458, § 1, 6-22-2011)