

Town of Cutler Bay

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Memorandum

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MEMORANDUM

To: Honorable Mayor and Town Council

From: Rafael G. Casals, ICMA-CM, CFM, Town Manager

Date: September 26, 2018

Re: A Resolution Approving Subrecipient Agreement Between the Florida Department of Agriculture and

Consumer Services for the Cutler Ridge Park Lighting Enhancement Project.

REQUEST

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF CUTLER BAY, FLORIDA, APPROVING A SUBRECIPIENT AGREEMENT WITH THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND CONSUMER SERVICES FOR THE CUTLER RIDGE PARK LIGHTING ENHANCEMENT PROJECT; PROVIDING FOR AUTHORIZATION; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

BACKGROUND AND ANALYSIS

The Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services ("FDACS") set aside \$1,000,000 in pass through funding from the United States Department of Energy to create a Florida Small Community Energy Efficiency Lighting Grant Program. This competitive grant program is designed to provide funding to eligible local governments to make energy efficient upgrades to indoor or outdoor lighting in publicly accessible, community-oriented facilities, such as libraries, museums, parks, and community centers (examples given for illustrative purposes only). Energy savings must be tracked by the subrecipient for at least one year following completion of the project and reported to the department.

The Town submitted a grant application to improve the energy efficiency of the field lights at Cutler Ridge Park (<u>Attachment "A"</u>). The project consists of replacing twenty-eight (28) outdated 1,500-watt bulbs with twenty-four (24) energy efficient 1,150-watt LED Bulbs. The Town estimates that switching to the LED bulbs will save approximately 37% annually in energy. These lights will also reduce light pollution currently generated by the old lighting format. On June 4, 2018, the Town received FDACS Energy Efficient Grant Award Letter stating that the grant application was approved in the amount of \$86,000 (Attachment "B").

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Town Council approve the attached resolution authorizing the Town Manager to execute the Subrecipient Agreement with the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services.

ATTACHMENT(S)

- ➤ Attachment "A" FDACS Energy Efficient Grant Application
- ➤ Attachment "B" FDACS Energy Efficient Grant Award Letter