


Date: June 16, 2020

To: Honorable Chairwoman Audrey M. Edmonson and Members, Board of County Commissioners

From: Carlos A. Gimenez
Mayor 

Subject: Resolution Authorizing the County Mayor or County Mayor's Designee to Execute a State-Funded Grant Agreement with the Florida Department of Transportation to Provide \$4,700,000 in County Incentive Grant Program Funds to Purchase up to Ten Forty-foot Battery Electric Buses for the State Road 836 Express Bus Service

Agenda Item No. 3(B)(3)

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Board of County Commissioners (Board) approve the terms of and authorize the County Mayor or County Mayor's designee to execute a State-Funded Agreement (Agreement), in substantially the form attached hereto, with the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) to provide \$4,700,000 in County Incentive Grant Program funds to purchase up to ten forty-foot battery electric low-floor buses for the State Road (SR) 836 Express Bus Service. It is further recommended that the Board authorize the receipt and expenditure of funds as specified in the Agreement.

Scope

The 836 Express Bus Service connects riders from the Dolphin Station Park-and-Ride to Downtown Miami. Once construction is complete, the 836 Express Bus Service will also extend to the Tamiami and Panther Stations. This item would benefit the riding public and in countywide in nature.

Fiscal Impact/Funding Source

The estimated total project cost of ten forty-foot battery-electric buses is \$9,500,000. This Agreement will provide \$4,700,000 and the State Participation Rate is 50 percent. The required local match for this Agreement is \$4,700,000 for a total Agreement of \$9,400,000. It is anticipated that the local match and the additional \$100,000 needed for the estimated project cost will be provided using Lease Financing proceeds funded by Charter County Transportation Surtax (Surtax). At the appropriate time, the bus purchasing contract intended to be funded with said matching Surtax funds, as well as any required amendments to the Five Year Plan, will be forwarded to the Citizens' Independent Transportation Trust for its review and recommendation and subsequently to this Board for its approval. This project is included in the Fiscal Year 2019-2020 Adopted Budget and Multi-Year Capital Plan under Bus Related Projects (Project Number 673800).

Track Record/Monitor

The Grant Manager for this Agreement is Ed Carson, Department of Transportation and Public Works, Financial Services.

Background

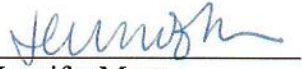
The County Incentive Grant Program is authorized in section 339.2817, Florida Statutes. The program provides grants to counties for the improvement of transportation facilities located on the State Highway System or transportation facilities which relieve traffic congestion on the State Highway System.

The SR 836 Expressway is a major east-west corridor in Miami-Dade County, connecting the suburban western portion of the County to the Miami Intermodal Center at the Miami International Airport Metrorail Station and to Downtown Miami. Access to the Airport Metrorail Station and Downtown Miami from the western part of the County is characterized by long travel times along heavily congested

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corridors such as West Flagler Street and SW 8th Street (SR 90/US 41) since existing bus routes provide more localized service and do not utilize SR 836.

The 836 Express Bus Service will provide limited-stop transit service along SR 836 from Dolphin Station and Tamiami Station to Downtown Miami and the future Panther Station at Florida International University. The completion and start of revenue service for the Tamiami and Panther Stations is scheduled for July 2022. The Dolphin Station revenue service began in March 2020 and is expected to provide opportunity for commuters to switch from using single occupancy car trips to using transit, thus reducing traffic congestion along a heavily congested State Highway. The Department of Transportation and Public Works anticipates delivery of the new buses in June 2021.



Jennifer Moon
Deputy Mayor



MEMORANDUM
(Revised)

TO: Honorable Chairwoman Audrey M. Edmonson
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

DATE: June 16, 2020

FROM: Abigail Price-Williams
County Attorney

SUBJECT: Agenda Item No. 3(B)(3)

Please note any items checked.

- "3-Day Rule" for committees applicable if raised**
- 6 weeks required between first reading and public hearing**
- 4 weeks notification to municipal officials required prior to public hearing**
- Decreases revenues or increases expenditures without balancing budget**
- Budget required**
- Statement of fiscal impact required**
- Statement of social equity required**
- Ordinance creating a new board requires detailed County Mayor's report for public hearing**
- No committee review**
- Applicable legislation requires more than a majority vote (i.e., 2/3's present ____, 2/3 membership ____, 3/5's ____, unanimous ____, CDMP 7 vote requirement per 2-116.1(3)(h) or (4)(c) ____, CDMP 2/3 vote requirement per 2-116.1(3)(h) or (4)(c) ____, or CDMP 9 vote requirement per 2-116.1(4)(c)(2) ____) to approve**
- Current information regarding funding source, index code and available balance, and available capacity (if debt is contemplated) required**

Approved _____ Mayor
Veto _____
Override _____

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RESOLUTION NO. _____

RESOLUTION APPROVING TERMS OF AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE A STATE-FUNDED GRANT AGREEMENT WITH THE STATE OF FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO PROVIDE COUNTY INCENTIVE GRANT PROGRAM FUNDING IN THE AMOUNT OF \$4,700,000.00 TOWARDS THE PURCHASE OF UP TO TEN FORTY-FOOT BATTERY ELECTRIC BUSES FOR THE STATE ROAD 836 EXPRESS BUS SERVICE WHICH WAS IN THE ORIGINAL PEOPLE'S TRANSPORTATION PLAN; AUTHORIZING THE RECEIPT AND EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS AS SPECIFIED IN THE AGREEMENT; AND AUTHORIZING RECEIPT AND EXPENDITURE OF ANY ADDITIONAL FUNDS SHOULD THEY BECOME AVAILABLE

WHEREAS, this Board desires to accomplish the purposes outlined in the accompanying memorandum, a copy of which is incorporated herein by reference,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, that:

Section 1. This Board approves the State-Funded Grant Agreement ("Agreement") between Miami-Dade County and the State of Florida Department of Transportation ("FDOT"), in substantially the form attached hereto and made a part hereof to provide \$4,700,000.00 in County Incentive Grant Program funds towards the purchase of up to 10 forty-foot battery electric low-floor buses for the State Road 836 Express Bus Service.

Section 2. This Board further authorizes the County Mayor or County Mayor's designee to execute this Agreement and any time extensions and to receive and expend the County Incentive Grant Program funds as specified in the Agreement and any additional County Incentive

Grant Program funds should they become available, so long as no additional County matching funds are required.

Section 3. The County staff is authorized to furnish such additional information as FDOT may require in connection with the application for this project.

The foregoing resolution was offered by Commissioner _____,
who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner _____
and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Audrey M. Edmonson, Chairwoman

Rebeca Sosa, Vice Chairwoman

Esteban L. Bovo, Jr.

Jose "Pepe" Diaz

Eileen Higgins

Joe A. Martinez

Dennis C. Moss

Xavier L. Suarez

Daniella Levine Cava

Sally A. Heyman

Barbara J. Jordan

Jean Monestime

Sen. Javier D. Souto

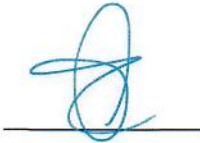
The Chairperson thereupon declared this resolution duly passed and adopted this 16th day of June, 2020. This resolution shall become effective upon the earlier of (1) 10 days after the date of its adoption unless vetoed by the County Mayor, and if vetoed, shall become effective only upon an override by this Board, or (2) approval by the County Mayor of this resolution and the filing of this approval with the Clerk of the Board.

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA
BY ITS BOARD OF
COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

HARVEY RUVIN, CLERK

By: _____
Deputy Clerk

Approved by County Attorney as
to form and legal sufficiency.



Annery Pulgar Alfonso

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FPN: <u>438970-1-94-01</u>	Fund: <u>CIGP</u> Org Code: <u>55064010609</u>	FLAIR Category: <u>088572</u> FLAIR Obj: <u>751000</u>
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County No: 87 (Miami-Dade) Contract No: G1153 Vendor No: F596000573129

THIS STATE-FUNDED GRANT AGREEMENT ("Agreement") is entered into on _____, (This date to be entered by DOT only)

by and between the State of Florida Department of Transportation, ("Department"), and Miami-Dade County, ("Recipient").
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Department and the Recipient are sometimes referred to in this Agreement as a "Party" and collectively as the "Parties".

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual benefits to be derived from joint participation on the Project, the Parties agree to the following:

- 1. Authority:** The Department is authorized to enter into this Agreement pursuant to Sections 334.044, 334.044(7), and (select the applicable statutory authority for the program(s) below):
 - Section 339.2817 Florida Statutes, County Incentive Grant Program (CIGP), (CSFA 55.008)
 - Section 339.2818 Florida Statutes, Small County Outreach Program (SCOP), (CSFA 55.009)
 - Section 339.2816 Florida Statutes, Small County Road Assistance Program (SCRAP), (CSFA 55.016)
 - Section 339.2819 Florida Statutes, Transportation Regional Incentive Program (TRIP), (CSFA 55.026)
 - _____, _____, _____

The Recipient by Resolution or other form of official authorization, a copy of which is attached as **Exhibit "E", Recipient Resolution**, and made a part of this Agreement, has authorized its officers to execute this Agreement on its behalf.

- 2. Purpose of Agreement:** The purpose of this Agreement is to provide for the Department's participation in the Purchase of up to 10 - 40' Electric Buses for the 836 Express Service, as further described in **Exhibit "A", Project Description and Responsibilities**, attached to and incorporated into this Agreement ("Project"); to provide Department financial assistance to the Recipient; state the terms and conditions upon which Department funds will be provided; and to set forth the manner in which the Project will be undertaken and completed.
- 3. Term of the Agreement, Commencement and Completion of the Project:** This Agreement shall commence upon full execution by both Parties and the Recipient shall complete the Project on or before December 31, 2022. If the Recipient does not complete the Project within this time period, this Agreement will expire on the last day of the scheduled completion as provided in this paragraph unless an extension of the time period is requested by the Recipient and granted in writing by the Department prior to the expiration of this Agreement. Expiration of this Agreement will be considered termination of the Project. The Recipient acknowledges that no funding for the Project will be provided by the State under this Agreement for work on the Project that is not timely completed and invoiced in accordance with the terms of this Agreement, or for work performed prior to full execution of the Agreement. Notwithstanding the expiration of the required completion date provided in this Agreement and the consequent potential unavailability of any unexpended portion of State funding to be provided under this Agreement, the Recipient shall remain obligated to complete all aspects of the Project identified in **Exhibit "A"** in accordance with the remaining terms of this Agreement, unless otherwise agreed by the Parties, in writing.

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Execution of this Agreement by both Parties shall be deemed a Notice to Proceed to the Recipient for the design phase or other non-construction phases of the Project. If the Project involves a construction phase, the Recipient shall not begin the construction phase of the Project until the Department issues a written Notice to Proceed for the construction phase. Prior to commencing the construction work described in this Agreement, the Recipient shall request a Notice to Proceed from the Department.

4. **Amendments, Extensions and Assignment:** This Agreement may be amended or extended upon mutual written agreement of the Parties. This Agreement shall not be assigned, transferred or otherwise encumbered by the Recipient under any circumstances without the prior written consent of the Department.
5. **Termination or Suspension of Project:** The Department may, by written notice to the Recipient, suspend any or all of the Department's obligations under this Agreement for the Recipient's failure to comply with applicable laws or the terms of this Agreement until such time as the event or condition resulting in such suspension has ceased or been corrected. The Department may also terminate this Agreement in whole or in part at any time the interest of the Department requires such termination.
 - a. If the Department terminates the Agreement, the Department shall notify the Recipient of such termination in writing within thirty (30) days of the Department's determination to terminate the Agreement, with instructions as to the effective date of termination or to specify the stage of work at which the Agreement is to be terminated.
 - b. The Parties to this Agreement may also terminate this Agreement when its continuation would not produce beneficial results commensurate with the further expenditure of funds. In this event, the Parties shall agree upon the termination conditions through mutual written agreement.
 - c. If the Agreement is terminated before performance is completed, the Recipient shall be paid only for that work satisfactorily performed for which costs can be substantiated. Such payment, however, may not exceed an amount which is the same percentage of the contract price as the amount of work satisfactorily completed is a percentage of the total work called for by this Agreement. All work in progress on the Department right-of-way will become the property of the Department and will be turned over promptly by the Recipient.
 - d. Upon termination of this Agreement, the Recipient shall, within thirty (30) days, refund to the Department any funds determined by the Department to have been expended in violation of this Agreement.
6. **Project Cost:**
 - a. The estimated cost of the Project is \$9,400,000. This amount is based upon the Schedule of Financial Assistance in **Exhibit "B"**, attached and incorporated in this Agreement. The Schedule of Financial Assistance may be modified by execution of an amendment of the Agreement by the Parties.
 - b. The Department agrees to participate in the Project cost up to the maximum amount of \$4,700,000 and, additionally the Department's participation in the Project shall not exceed 50% of the total cost of the Project, and as more fully described in **Exhibit "B", Schedule of Financial Assistance**. The Department's participation may be increased or reduced upon a determination of the actual bid amounts of the Project by the execution of an amendment. The Recipient agrees to bear all expenses in excess of the amount of the Department's participation and any cost overruns or deficits incurred in connection with completion of the Project.
 - c. The Department's participation in eligible Project costs is subject to, but not limited to:
 - i. Legislative approval of the Department's appropriation request in the work program year that the Project is scheduled to be committed;
 - ii. Approval of all plans, specifications, contracts or other obligating documents and all other terms of this Agreement; and

- iii. Department approval of the Project scope and budget at the time appropriation authority becomes available.

7. Compensation and Payment:

- a. The Department shall reimburse the Recipient for costs incurred to perform services described in the Project Description and Responsibilities in **Exhibit "A"**, and as set forth in the Schedule of Financial Assistance in **Exhibit "B"**.
- b. The Recipient shall provide quantifiable, measurable, and verifiable units of deliverables. Each deliverable must specify the required minimum level of service to be performed and the criteria for evaluating successful completion. The Project and the quantifiable, measurable, and verifiable units of deliverables are described more fully in **Exhibit "A"**, Project Description and Responsibilities. Any changes to the deliverables shall require an amendment executed by both parties.
- c. Invoices shall be submitted no more often than monthly and no less than quarterly by the Recipient in detail sufficient for a proper pre-audit and post-audit, based on the quantifiable, measurable and verifiable deliverables as established in **Exhibit "A"**. Deliverables and costs incurred must be received and approved by the Department prior to reimbursements. Requests for reimbursement by the Recipient shall include an invoice, progress report and supporting documentation for the period of services being billed that are acceptable to the Department. The Recipient shall use the format for the invoice and progress report that is approved by the Department.
- d. Supporting documentation must establish that the deliverables were received and accepted in writing by the Recipient and must also establish that the required minimum standards or level of service to be performed based on the criteria for evaluating successful completion as specified in **Exhibit "A"** has been met. All costs invoiced shall be supported by properly executed payrolls, time records, invoices, contracts or vouchers evidencing in proper detail the nature and propriety of charges as described in **Attachment F – Contract Payment Requirements**.
- e. Travel expenses are not compensable under this Agreement.
- f. Payment shall be made only after receipt and approval of deliverables and costs incurred unless advance payments are authorized by the Chief Financial Officer of the State of Florida under Chapters 215 and 216, Florida Statutes or the Department's Comptroller under Section 334.044(29), Florida Statutes.
- If this box is selected, advance payment is authorized for this Agreement and Exhibit "G", Alternative Advance Payment Financial Provisions is attached and incorporated into this Agreement.

If the Department determines that the performance of the Recipient is unsatisfactory, the Department shall notify the Recipient of the deficiency to be corrected, which correction shall be made within a time-frame to be specified by the Department. The Recipient shall, within thirty (30) days after notice from the Department, provide the Department with a corrective action plan describing how the Recipient will address all issues of contract non-performance, unacceptable performance, failure to meet the minimum performance levels, deliverable deficiencies, or contract non-compliance. If the corrective action plan is unacceptable to the Department, the Recipient will not be reimbursed to the extent of the non-performance. The Recipient will not be reimbursed until the Recipient resolves the deficiency. If the deficiency is subsequently resolved, the Recipient may bill the Department for the unpaid reimbursement request(s) during the next billing period. If the Recipient is unable to resolve the deficiency, the funds shall be forfeited at the end of the Agreement's term.

Recipients receiving financial assistance from the Department should be aware of the following time frames. Inspection and approval of deliverables and costs incurred shall take no longer than 20 days from the Department's receipt of the invoice. The Department has 20 days to deliver a request for payment (voucher) to the Department of Financial Services. The 20 days are measured from the latter of the date the invoice is received or the deliverables and costs incurred are received, inspected, and approved.

If a payment is not available within 40 days, a separate interest penalty at a rate as established pursuant to Section 55.03(1), Florida Statutes, will be due and payable, in addition to the invoice amount, to the Recipient. Interest penalties of less than one (1) dollar will not be enforced unless the Recipient requests payment. Invoices that have to be returned to a Recipient because of Recipient preparation errors will result in a delay in the payment. The invoice payment requirements do not start until a properly completed invoice is provided to the Department.

A Vendor Ombudsman has been established within the Department of Financial Services. The duties of this individual include acting as an advocate for Recipient who may be experiencing problems in obtaining timely payment(s) from a state agency. The Vendor Ombudsman may be contacted at (850) 413-5516.

- g. The Recipient shall maintain an accounting system or separate accounts to ensure funds and projects are tracked separately. Records of costs incurred under the terms of this Agreement shall be maintained and made available upon request to the Department at all times during the period of this Agreement and for five years after final payment is made. Copies of these documents and records shall be furnished to the Department upon request. Records of costs incurred include the Recipient's general accounting records and the project records, together with supporting documents and records, of the contractor and all subcontractors performing work on the project, and all other records of the contractor and subcontractors considered necessary by the Department for a proper audit of costs.
- h. **Progress Reports.** Upon request, the Recipient agrees to provide progress reports to the Department in the standard format used by the Department and at intervals established by the Department. The Department will be entitled at all times to be advised, at its request, as to the status of the Project and of details thereof.
- i. If, after Project completion, any claim is made by the Department resulting from an audit or for work or services performed pursuant to this Agreement, the Department may offset such amount from payments due for work or services done under any agreement which it has with the Recipient owing such amount if, upon demand, payment of the amount is not made within 60 days to the Department. Offsetting any amount pursuant to this paragraph shall not be considered a breach of contract by the Department.
- j. The Recipient must submit the final invoice on the Project to the Department within 120 days after the completion of the Project. Invoices submitted after the 120-day time period may not be paid.
- k. The Department's performance and obligation to pay under this Agreement is contingent upon an annual appropriation by the Legislature. If the Department's financial assistance for this Project is in multiple fiscal years, a notice of availability of funds from the Department's project manager must be received prior to costs being incurred by the Recipient. See Exhibit "B" for funding levels by fiscal year. Project costs utilizing any fiscal year funds are not eligible for reimbursement if incurred prior to funds approval being received. The Department will notify the Recipient, in writing, when funds are available.
- l. In the event this Agreement is in excess of \$25,000 and has a term for a period of more than one year, the provisions of Section 339.135(6)(a), Florida Statutes, are hereby incorporated:

"The Department, during any fiscal year, shall not expend money, incur any liability, or enter into any contract which, by its terms, involves the expenditure of money in excess of the amounts budgeted as available for expenditure during such fiscal year. Any contract, verbal or written, made in violation of this subsection is null and void, and no money may be paid on such contract. The Department shall require a statement from the comptroller of the Department that funds are available prior to entering into any such contract or other binding commitment of funds. Nothing herein contained shall prevent the making of contracts for periods exceeding 1 year, but any contract so made shall be executory only for the value of the services to be rendered or agreed to be paid for in succeeding fiscal years, and this paragraph shall be incorporated verbatim in all contracts of the Department which are for an amount in excess of \$25,000 and which have a term for a period of more than 1 year."

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- m. Any Project funds made available by the Department pursuant to this Agreement which are determined by the Department to have been expended by the Recipient in violation of this Agreement or any other applicable law or regulation, shall be promptly refunded in full to the Department. Acceptance by the Department of any documentation or certifications, mandatory or otherwise permitted, that the Recipient files shall not constitute a waiver of the Department's rights as the funding agency to verify all information at a later date by audit or investigation.
- n. In determining the amount of the payment, the Department will exclude all Project costs incurred by the Recipient prior to the execution of this Agreement, costs incurred prior to issuance of a Notice to Proceed, costs incurred after the expiration of the Agreement, costs which are not provided for in the latest approved Schedule of Financial Assistance in **Exhibit "B"** for the Project, costs agreed to be borne by the Recipient or its contractors and subcontractors for not meeting the Project commencement and final invoice time lines, and costs attributable to goods or services received under a contract or other arrangements which have not been approved in writing by the Department.

8. General Requirements:

The Recipient shall complete the Project with all practical dispatch in a sound, economical, and efficient manner, and in accordance with the provisions in this Agreement and all applicable laws.

- a. The Recipient must obtain written approval from the Department prior to performing itself (through the efforts of its own employees) any aspect of the Project that will be funded under this Agreement.
 - If this box is checked, then the Agency is permitted to utilize its own forces and the following provision applies: **Use of Agency Workforce**. In the event the Agency proceeds with any phase of the Project utilizing its own forces, the Agency will only be reimbursed for direct costs (this excludes general overhead).
- b. The Recipient shall provide to the Department certification and a copy of appropriate documentation substantiating that all required right-of-way necessary for the Project has been obtained. Certification is required prior to authorization for advertisement for or solicitation of bids for construction of the Project, including if no right-of-way is required.
- c. The Recipient shall comply and require its contractors and subcontractors to comply with all terms and conditions of this Agreement and all federal, state, and local laws and regulations applicable to this Project.
- d. The Recipient shall have the sole responsibility for resolving claims and requests for additional work for the Project by the Recipient's contractors and consultants. No funds will be provided for payment of claims or additional work on the Project under this Agreement without the prior written approval of the claim or request for additional work by Department.

9. Contracts of the Recipient

- a. The Department has the right to review and approve any and all third party contracts with respect to the Project before the Recipient executes any contract or obligates itself in any manner requiring the disbursement of Department funds under this Agreement, including consultant or construction contracts or amendments thereto. If the Department exercises this right and the Recipient fails to obtain such approval, the Department may deny payment to the Recipient. The Department may review the qualifications of any consultant or contractor and to approve or disapprove the employment of such consultant or contractor.
- b. It is understood and agreed by the parties hereto that participation by the Department in a project that involves the purchase of commodities or contractual services or the purchasing of capital equipment or the equipping of facilities, where purchases or costs exceed the Threshold Amount for CATEGORY TWO per Chapter 287.017 Florida Statutes, is contingent on the Recipient complying in full with the provisions of Chapter 287.057 Florida Statutes. The Recipient shall certify to the Department that the purchase of commodities or contractual services has been accomplished in compliance with Chapter 287.057 Florida Statutes. It shall be the sole responsibility of the Recipient to ensure that any obligations made in accordance with this Section comply with the current threshold limits. Contracts, purchase orders, task orders,

construction change orders, or any other agreement that would result in exceeding the current budget contained in **Exhibit "B"**, or that are not consistent with the Project description and scope of services contained in **Exhibit "A"** must be approved by the Department prior to Recipient execution. Failure to obtain such approval, and subsequent execution of an amendment to the Agreement if required, shall be sufficient cause for nonpayment by the Department.

- c. Participation by the Department in a project that involves a consultant contract for engineering, architecture or surveying services, is contingent on the Recipient's complying in full with provisions of Section 287.055, Florida Statutes, Consultants' Competitive Negotiation Act. In all cases, the Recipient shall certify to the Department that selection has been accomplished in compliance with the Consultants' Competitive Negotiation Act.
- d. If the Project is procured pursuant to Chapter 255 for construction services and at the time of the competitive solicitation for the Project 50 percent or more of the cost of the Project is to be paid from state-appropriated funds, then the Recipient must comply with the requirements of Section 255.0991, Florida Statutes.

10. Design and Construction Standards and Required Approvals: In the event the Project includes construction the following provisions are incorporated into this Agreement:

- a. The Recipient is responsible for obtaining all permits necessary for the Project.
- b. In the event the Project involves construction on the Department's right-of-way, the Recipient shall provide the Department with written notification of either its intent to:
 - i. Award the construction of the Project to a Department prequalified contractor which is the lowest and best bidder in accordance with applicable state and federal statutes, rules, and regulations. The Recipient shall then submit a copy of the bid tally sheet(s) and awarded bid contract, or
 - ii. Construct the Project utilizing existing Recipient employees, if the Recipient can complete said Project within the time frame set forth in this Agreement. The Recipient's use of this option is subject to approval by the Department.
- c. The Recipient shall hire a qualified contractor using the Recipient's normal bid procedures to perform the construction work for the Project. For projects that are not located on the Department's right-of-way, the Recipient is not required to hire a contractor prequalified by the Department unless the Department notifies the Recipient prior to letting that they are required to hire a contractor prequalified by the Department.
- d. The Recipient is responsible for provision of Construction Engineering Inspection (CEI) services. The Department reserves the right to require the Recipient to hire a Department pre-qualified consultant firm that includes one individual that has completed the Advanced Maintenance of Traffic Level Training. Administration of the CEI staff shall be under the responsible charge of a State of Florida Licensed Professional Engineer who shall provide the certification that all design and construction for the Project meets the minimum construction standards established by Department. The Department shall have the right to approve the CEI firm. The Department shall have the right, but not the obligation, to perform independent assurance testing during the course of construction of the Project. Subject to the approval of the Department, the Recipient may choose to satisfy the requirements set forth in this paragraph by either hiring a Department prequalified consultant firm or utilizing Recipient staff that meet the requirements of this paragraph, or a combination thereof.
- e. The Recipient is responsible for the preparation of all design plans for the Project. The Department reserves the right to require the Recipient to hire a Department pre-qualified consultant for the design phase of the Project using the Recipient's normal procurement procedures to perform the design services for the Project. All design work on the Project shall be performed in accordance with the requirements of all applicable laws and governmental rules and regulations and federal and state accepted design standards for the type of construction contemplated by the Project, including, as applicable, but not limited to, the applicable provisions of the Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD) and the AASHTO Policy on Geometric Design of Streets and Highways. All design work for any portion of the Project to be located on

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Department right-of-way shall conform to all applicable standards of the Department, as provided in **Exhibit "F", Terms and Conditions of Construction**, which is attached to and incorporated into this Agreement if a portion of the Project will be located on FDOT's right of way.

- f. The Recipient shall adhere to the Department's Conflict of Interest Procedure (FDOT Topic No. 375-030-006) or Conflict of Interest Procedure for State Funded Grant Programs (FDOT Topic No. 750-000-002).
- g. The Recipient will provide copies of the final design plans and specifications and final bid documents to the Department's Construction Project Manager prior to commencing construction of the Project. The Department will specify the number of copies required and the required format.
- h. The Recipient shall require the Recipient's contractor to post a payment and performance bond in accordance with applicable law.
- i. The Recipient shall be responsible to ensure that the construction work under this Agreement is performed in accordance with the approved construction documents, and that it will meet all applicable Recipient and Department standards.
- j. Upon completion of the work authorized by this Agreement, the Recipient shall notify the Department in writing of the completion of construction of the Project; and for all design work that originally required certification by a Professional Engineer, this notification shall contain an Engineers Certification of Compliance, signed and sealed by a Professional Engineer, the form of which is attached hereto and incorporated herein as **Exhibit "C", Engineers Certification of Completion**. The certification shall state that work has been completed in compliance with the Project construction plans and specifications. If any deviations are found from the approved plans, the certification shall include a list of all deviations along with an explanation that justifies the reason to accept each deviation.
- k. The Recipient shall provide the Department with as-built plans of any portions of the Project funded through the Agreement prior to final inspection.

11. Maintenance Obligations: In the event the Project includes construction then the following provisions are incorporated into this Agreement:

- a. The Recipient agrees to maintain any portion of the Project not located on the State Highway System constructed under this Agreement for its useful life. If the Recipient constructs any improvement on Department right-of-way, the Recipient
 - shall
 - shall not

maintain the improvements located on the Department right-of-way made for their useful life. If the Recipient is required to maintain Project improvements located on the Department right-of-way beyond final acceptance, then Recipient shall, prior to any disbursement of the State funding provided under this Agreement, also execute a Maintenance Memorandum of Agreement in a form that is acceptable to the Department. The Recipient has agreed to the foregoing by resolution, and such resolution is attached and incorporated into this Agreement as **Exhibit "E"**. This provision will survive termination of this Agreement.

12. State Single Audit: The administration of resources awarded through the Department to the Recipient by this Agreement may be subject to audits and/or monitoring by the Department. The following requirements do not limit the authority of the Department to conduct or arrange for the conduct of additional audits or evaluations of state financial assistance or limit the authority of any state agency inspector general, the Auditor General, or any other state official. The Recipient shall comply with all audit and audit reporting requirements as specified below.

- a. In addition to reviews of audits conducted in accordance with Section 215.97, Florida Statutes, monitoring procedures to monitor the Recipient's use of state financial assistance may include but not be limited to on-site visits by Department staff and/or other procedures including, reviewing any required performance and financial reports, following up, ensuring corrective action, and issuing management decisions on weaknesses found through audits when those findings pertain to state financial assistance awarded through

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the Department by this Agreement. By entering into this Agreement, the Recipient agrees to comply and cooperate fully with any monitoring procedures/processes deemed appropriate by the Department. The Recipient further agrees to comply and cooperate with any inspections, reviews, investigations, or audits deemed necessary by the Department, the Department of Financial Services (DFS) or the Auditor General.

- b. The Recipient, a nonstate entity as defined by Section 215.97(2)(n), Florida Statutes, as a recipient of state financial assistance awarded by the Department through this Agreement is subject to the following requirements:
- i. In the event the Recipient meets the audit threshold requirements established by Section 215.97, Florida Statutes, the Recipient must have a State single or project-specific audit conducted for such fiscal year in accordance with Section 215.97, Florida Statutes; applicable rules of the Department of Financial Services; and Chapters 10.550 (local governmental entities) or 10.650 (nonprofit and for-profit organizations), Rules of the Auditor General. Exhibit "D" to this Agreement indicates state financial assistance awarded through the Department by this Agreement needed by the Recipient to further comply with the requirements of Section 215.97, Florida Statutes. In determining the state financial assistance expended in a fiscal year, the Recipient shall consider all sources of state financial assistance, including state financial assistance received from the Department by this Agreement, other state agencies and other nonstate entities. State financial assistance does not include Federal direct or pass-through awards and resources received by a nonstate entity for Federal program matching requirements.
 - ii. In connection with the audit requirements, the Recipient shall ensure that the audit complies with the requirements of Section 215.97(8), Florida Statutes. This includes submission of a financial reporting package as defined by Section 215.97(2)(e), Florida Statutes, and Chapters 10.550 (local governmental entities) or 10.650 (nonprofit and for-profit organizations), Rules of the Auditor General.
 - iii. In the event the Recipient does not meet the audit threshold requirements established by Section 215.97, Florida Statutes, the Recipient is exempt for such fiscal year from the state single audit requirements of Section 215.97, Florida Statutes. However, the Recipient must provide a single audit exemption statement to the Department at FDOTSingleAudit@dot.state.fl.us no later than nine months after the end of the Recipient's audit period for each applicable audit year. In the event the Recipient does not meet the audit threshold requirements established by Section 215.97, Florida Statutes, in a fiscal year and elects to have an audit conducted in accordance with the provisions of Section 215.97, Florida Statutes, the cost of the audit must be paid from the Recipient's resources (i.e., the cost of such an audit must be paid from the Recipient's resources obtained from other than State entities).
 - iv. In accordance with Chapters 10.550 (local governmental entities) or 10.650 (nonprofit and for-profit organizations), Rules of the Auditor General, copies of financial reporting packages required by this Agreement shall be submitted to:

Florida Department of Transportation
Office of Comptroller, MS 24
605 Suwannee Street
Tallahassee, FL 32399-0405
Email: FDOTSingleAudit@dot.state.fl.us

And

State of Florida Auditor General
Local Government Audits/342
111 West Madison Street, Room 401
Tallahassee, FL 32399-1450
Email: flaudgen_localgovt@aud.state.fl.us