

Memo

To: Phillip Drujak
From: Squire Patton Boggs LLP
Date: April 5, 2023
Subject: Miami-Dade March 2023 Report

Much of Squire Patton Boggs' (SPB's) activity in March centered around the FY 2024 appropriations process. March is typically the month when both programmatic and project forms are due to Members of Congress for their consideration.

We sent the House Appropriations Committee's eligible accounts for Community Project Funding (CPF) to the County; with the House changing hands in the 118th Congress, there had been a change of direction in the CPF accounts that were available for earmarking. Working closely with the County's Washington, DC office, we reviewed programmatic appropriations requests that the County had submitted the previous year and began working to fill out the FY 2024 version of programmatic appropriations requests. Programmatic appropriations requests are generally to request funding levels for specific programs or for language to be included in the appropriations bills to guide the spending of accounts. CPF requests are the requests for specific projects in a Member's district. On these requests, we consulted with the County's Washington, DC office to review eligibility of accounts for projects like the Greenway, as well as non-federal matches for transit and EPA/STAG requests.

Additionally, Carolina Mederos of the SPB team participated in the initial call for what will be more regular communications with the Mayor's and Chairman's staff, and provided an update on the issues that may be addressed in the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) reauthorization, which is due this year.

We also prepared and submitted to Phillip Drujak the end-of-year report of activities undertaken by SPB on behalf of Miami-Dade County in 2022.

In addition, we shared the following information with the County in the month of March:

- EPA's Pollution Reduction Fund announcement
- Analysis of the President's FY 2024 budget submission to Congress
- NOFO on Charging and Fueling Infrastructure grants
- Update on PFAS
- SMART grant awards
- Summary of Joint Office webinar on charging and fueling infrastructure

- Summary of House T&I Highways and Transit Subcommittee hearing on IIJA implementation
- Information on DOE building NOFO
- Weekly summaries of the implementation of the IIJA and IRA, in addition to weekly updates on available grant opportunities