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OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA**

Memorandum



Date: January 17, 2024

To: Honorable Chairman Oliver G. Gilbert, III
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

From: Daniella Levine Cava
Mayor

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Daniella Levine Cava".

Agenda Item No. 3(B)(5)

Resolution No. R-18-24

Subject: Resolution Retroactively Approving the Submittal of a Grant Application to the Florida Division of Emergency Management for \$2,500,000.00 to the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program – Hurricane Nicole

Executive Summary

This item retroactively approves the Miami-Dade Parks, Recreation and Open Spaces Department's (PROS) submission of a grant application to the Florida Division of Emergency Management (FDEM) in the amount of \$2,500,000.00 for the construction of a 5ft-wide elevated boardwalk that follows the footprint of the current asphalted trail at Matheson Hammock Park. This project will mitigate current and future flooding conditions within the park and ensure pedestrian accessibility to its offerings. This project was also submitted to the FDEM Hazard Mitigation Grant Program – Hurricane Ian for funding consideration.

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Board retroactively approves the submission of a grant application for FDEM Hazard Mitigation Grant Program – Hurricane Nicole funds totaling \$2,500,000.00. It is further recommended that the Board authorize the County Mayor or County Mayor's designee to receive and expend funds and execute grant agreements upon review and final approval of the County Attorney's Office.

Scope

Matheson Hammock Park is located at 9610 Old Cutler Road, Coral Gables, FL 33156 and is located within County Commission District 7, which is represented by Commissioner Raquel A. Regalado.

Fiscal Impact/Funding

The County's estimate for the construction phase of this project totals \$3,726,796.00. If awarded, the FDEM Hazard Mitigation Grant Program – Hurricane Nicole will support the project with funds up to \$2,500,000.00. The FDEM Hazard Mitigation Grant Program – Hurricane Nicole application requires a match of at least 25% for awarded funds. The County will provide \$1,226,796.00 in match dollars from CIIP funding - Program: 2000001275, Project: 3002350; and GOB funding - Program: 932110, Project: 75415 to support project costs and costs ineligible for FDEM funding. This project solely renovates existing facilities; therefore, no additional operating cost will be incurred by the County resulting from the completion of this project.

Track Record/Monitor

In 2020, FDEM awarded PROS \$204,144.75 to support improvements to a seawall at Matheson Hammock Park and in 2023, FDEM awarded PROS \$1,708,259.44 to reimburse costs related to

sargassum removal. The FDEM Hazard Mitigation Grant Program – Hurricane Nicole award will be administered by PROS Grants Supervisor Dorothy Mills-Mayers.

Delegation of Authority

This item authorizes the County Mayor or County Mayor's designee to execute grant award agreements, amendments and other documents the grant requires, following approval by the County Attorney's Office as to legal sufficiency; provided however that the County Mayor or Mayor's designee are only delegated the authority to execute amendments that do not have an additional fiscal impact on the County and that otherwise are for projects eligible under the Florida Division of Emergency Management. The Board authorizes the County Mayor or Mayor's designee to receive and expend all monies for the purposes described in the funding request for an on behalf of Miami-Dade County, Florida.

Background

The Florida Division of Emergency Management Hazard Mitigation Grant Program is a federally funded program designed to assist states, local governments, private non-profit organizations, and Indian Tribes in implementing long-term hazard mitigation measures following a major disaster declaration. Funds for this program were allocated in response to the effects of Hurricane Nicole. The application was due August 29, 2023 and was submitted by PROS on August 1, 2023. There was insufficient time from the opportunity announcement to the grant deadline to obtain a resolution, and an adopted resolution was not required by the funding agency for the application submittal. If awarded, the period of performance will be for three years. The project is expected to be completed within this period.



Jimmy Morales
Chief Operations Officer



MEMORANDUM

(Revised)

TO: Honorable Chairman Oliver G. Gilbert, III
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

DATE: January 17, 2024

FROM: 
Gen Bonzon-Keenan
County Attorney

SUBJECT: Agenda Item No. 3(B)(5)

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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1-17-24

RESOLUTION NO. R-18-24

RESOLUTION RETROACTIVELY APPROVING THE
SUBMITTAL OF A GRANT APPLICATION TO THE FLORIDA
DIVISION OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT HAZARD
MITIGATION GRANT PROGRAM – HURRICANE NICOLE
FOR \$2,500,000.00, FUNDED IN PART WITH BUILDING
BETTER COMMUNITIES-GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND
PROGRAM FUNDS, SUPPORTING THE CONSTRUCTION OF
THE MATHESON HAMMOCK MANGROVE TRAIL; AND
FURTHER AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR
COUNTY MAYOR’S DESIGNEE TO ACCEPT AND EXPEND
FUNDS AND EXECUTE CONTRACTS, AMENDMENTS, AND
OTHER DOCUMENTS AS REQUIRED BY THE AGREEMENT

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 ratifies the submission of an application to the Florida Division of Emergency Management’s Hazard Mitigation Grant Program – Hurricane Nicole for funds up to \$2,500,000.00. The County will provide up to \$1,226,796.00 in matching funds from the Building Better Communities-General Obligation Bond Program and the Countywide Infrastructure Investment Program.

Section 2. The Board authorizes the County Mayor or County Mayor’s designee to accept and expend funds and execute contracts, amendments, and other documents as required by the grant, upon review and final approval of the County Attorney’s Office. A copy of the Florida Division of Emergency Management Hazard Mitigation Grant Program – Hurricane Nicole application is on file with the Parks, Recreation and Open Spaces Department and available for

inspection upon request. The County Mayor or County Mayor's designee shall be required to seek Board approval for any approvals, consents, actions, events or undertakings that would create a financial obligation, cost or expense to the County beyond those specifically identified and set forth in the Agreement.

The foregoing resolution was offered by Commissioner **Danielle Cohen Higgins** , who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner **Juan Carlos Bermudez** and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Oliver G. Gilbert, III, Chairman	aye		
Anthony Rodríguez, Vice Chairman	aye		
Marleine Bastien	aye	Juan Carlos Bermudez	aye
Kevin Marino Cabrera	aye	Sen. René García	aye
Roberto J. Gonzalez	aye	Keon Hardemon	aye
Danielle Cohen Higgins	aye	Eileen Higgins	aye
Kionne L. McGhee	aye	Raquel A. Regalado	aye
Micky Steinberg	aye		

The Chairperson thereupon declared this resolution duly passed and adopted this 17th day of January, 2024. 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

JUAN FERNANDEZ-BARQUIN, CLERK

By: **Basia Pruna**
Deputy Clerk

Approved by County Attorney as
to form and legal sufficiency.

MJS

Melanie J. Spencer