



## City of Hallandale Beach City Commission Agenda Cover Memo

Meeting Date:	File No.:	Item Type:	1 <sup>st</sup> Reading	2 <sup>nd</sup> Reading
<b>9/29/2025</b>	<b>25-378</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Resolution</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Ordinance</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Other</b>	Ordinance Reading	<b>N/A</b>
			Public Hearing	<input type="checkbox"/>
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			Quasi-Judicial:	<input type="checkbox"/>
Fiscal Impact (\$):	Account Balance (\$):		Funding Source:	Project Number:
<b>N/A</b>	<b>N/A</b>		<b>State Grant, Federal &amp; Local</b>	<b>N/A</b>
Contract Required:	P.O. Required:	RFP/RFQ/Bid Number:	Sponsor Name:	Department:
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	<b>N/A</b>	<b>Geovanne Neste, Finance Director</b>	<b>Finance</b>
Strategic Plan Focus Areas:				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Fiscal Stability</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Resident Services</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Public Safety</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Infrastructure &amp; Mobility</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Economic Development &amp; Affordable Housing</b>
Implementation Timeline:				
Estimated Start Date: 10/1/2025			Estimated End Date: 9/30/2026	

### SHORT TITLE:

**A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF HALLANDALE BEACH, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING CITY TO SUBMIT GRANT APPLICATIONS FOR GRANT PROGRAMS IDENTIFIED IN “EXHIBIT A” AS PART OF THE CITYWIDE GRANT PROGRAM FOR 2025-26; PROVIDING FOR ACCEPTANCE OF THE GRANT AWARD AND EXECUTION OF ALL DOCUMENTS; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

### STAFF SUMMARY:

**Summary:**

Staff seeks City Commission approval of the FY 2025-26 Grant Proposal Matrix and advanced authorization for the City Manager or Executive Director to execute necessary documents for the submission and potential acceptance of pre-selected grant applications supporting citywide projects for Fiscal Year 2025-26.

## **Background:**

The purpose of the Grants Division is to centralize the management and development of grants across the City, including accounting, compliance, identifying grant funding opportunities, and coordinating City-wide applications. Our mission is to safeguard grant funding while increasing revenues that offset the costs of City projects, programs, and services.

Since its inception, the Division (formerly known as the Grants Office) has secured approximately \$42 million in funding as of August 2025. In recent years, efforts have focused on strengthening internal controls for compliance and building a long-term strategy for citywide grant development.

As part of our strategic approach, staff conducted a comprehensive review of grant opportunities, resulting in the Grant Funding Matrix. This tool identifies and plans applications aligned with City goals and departmental initiatives. It offers both a roadmap of pre-selected grant opportunities and a snapshot of potential resources that could be leveraged if awarded.

The Grant Matrix continues to be guided by opportunities made available through the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL), enacted in 2021, which remains a major source of federal investment through Fiscal Year 2026. Federal agencies are actively releasing Notices of Funding Opportunities that align with the City's five-year CIP plan, making BIL programs a central driver of our FY2025-26 grant strategy. This legislation emphasizes key investments in stormwater infrastructure to enhance climate resilience and electric vehicle (EV) infrastructure to support the transition to clean transportation. Additionally, it provides funding for critical upgrades in cybersecurity and emergency management systems, including modernized Emergency Operating Centers, procurement of essential police equipment, and ensuring public safety agencies are well-equipped to respond to evolving challenges.

## **Current Situation:**

Grant application windows are often short, leaving limited time to secure Commission approval prior to submission deadlines. To remain competitive, staff has prepared a list of pre-selected opportunities for Fiscal Year 2025–26 consideration.

The potential benefits of these grants, if awarded, include offsetting expenditures for projects in categories such as healthy communities, mobility, parks and recreation, public safety, sustainability, transportation, utilities, and infrastructure.

Grant writing services will be offered to departments based on the complexity of applications, the level of effort required, and the potential award size.

For accountability and transparency, the Grants Division will provide quarterly reports to the City Manager summarizing proposal progress, award outcomes, and expenditures YTD, and compliance measures as deemed necessary.

## **Why Action is Necessary:**

Pursuant to Article V, Section 5.01, of the City of Hallandale Beach Charter, Resolutions are to be presented to and adopted by a majority of the Commission. Furthermore, as per the Grants Administrative Policy, a resolution of the City Commission authorizing the approval and acceptance of the grant application and/or award is required.

### **Cost Benefit:**

Securing grants provides a strategic opportunity to supplement the City of Hallandale Beach's budget without replacing existing funds. This allows us to enhance both current and future projects by leveraging external financial resources. Specifically, grants from the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) can boost our budgetary allocations, offering additional support for priority areas. This reinforces our commitment to improving the city's infrastructure while ensuring fiscal responsibility by utilizing external funding sources rather than relying solely on our own budget, which may be limited.

Given the alignment between the infrastructure bill's priorities and our City's projects, a successful grant application process can yield significant financial benefits. The systematic approach adopted by the Grants Division ensures not only compliance but also that we maximize value for the City. Approving the proposed actions will enable us to effectively combine budgetary supplementation with infrastructure development.

### **PROPOSED ACTION:**

The City Commission considers the attached Resolution.

### **ATTACHMENT(S):**

Exhibit 1 – Resolution

Exhibit A – List of Proposed Grant Applications & Matching Requirements

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