



Planning, Zoning and Building Department

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RE: 2019 Grant Application Opportunities
DATE: May 10, 2018

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The Historic Preservation Division of the Planning, Zoning and Building Department is proposing to seek funding from the Florida Department of State – Division of Historical Resources for two projects through the Small Matching Grant (SMG) program and one project through the Special Category Grant (SCG) program. The grant funds are appropriated by the Legislature and federal funds apportioned to the state by the U.S. Department of the Interior, National Park Service, for the preservation and protection of the state's historic and archaeological sites and properties.

The City of Delray Beach SMG funding requests are for the following preservation activities:

- **Resurvey of four designated historic districts - \$50,000 grant**
 - The city's Comprehensive Plan states that historic sites surveys should be completed every 5 years, however industry standards are to complete historic sites surveys every 10 years.
 - The districts have not been surveyed since 2008.
 - Resurvey West Settlers, Del-Ida Park, Old School Square and Nassau Historic Districts.
 - Historic sites survey identifies the status of existing historic resources and determines if any other resources are eligible to be contributing historic structures.
 - To be completed within a year following grant receipt.
- **Education and Public Awareness via the creation of a digital database of the city's historic assets and resources - \$20,000 grant**
 - As a CLG, the city is required by the State of Florida to maintain FMSF for all sites that are designated historic.
 - As a public entity the City is required to make available of public records.
 - Create a digital database of the city's Florida Master Site Files (FMSF) records.
 - There more than 600 FMSF for sites located within existing, city historic districts.
 - These documents are in paper form and date back to the late 1980's.

- To ensure the records do not decline or get misplaced, it is important to preserve them and to meet our requirements as a CLG.
- Digitizing these records will ensure ease of access to Florida Master Site File Records for residents, stakeholders, staff and other Certified Local Government partners.

The City of Delray Beach has been a Certified Local Government (CLG) since 1988 and is one of 1,966 communities participating in the CLG program nationwide. A benefit of being a CLG is that the city can apply for the SMG program without the requirement to locally match the grant funding request. The grant funding opportunity is a total of \$50,000 per grant request with an award potential of two grants per grant cycle.

The City of Delray Beach SCG funding request is for the following preservation activity:

- **Development project for the preservation, restoration and rehabilitation of the Seaboard Airline Railroad Station - \$500,000:**
 - The existing Seaboard Airline Railroad Station is listed on the Local and National Register of Historic Places, is in disrepair and is in need of restoration and rehabilitation in order to ensure the structures' preservation.

The SCG program is a dollar for dollar matching program available to public entities. The grant funding opportunity is a total of \$500,000 per grant request with an award potential of one grant per grant cycle. The city can apply for an additional grant in the following year in order to split the project into two phases, potentially funding the project with a maximum of one million dollars in grant monies.

Staff will work with the city's grant writer to prepare the grant applications for submittal by June 1, 2018, for the grant period of July 1, 2019 – June 30, 2020.

Approved:



Mark R. Lauzier, City Manager

Denied:

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