

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-71

A RESOLUTION BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA, REGARDING GRANT APPLICATIONS; AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR, OR DESIGNEE, TO EXECUTE AND SUBMIT GRANT APPLICATIONS ON BEHALF OF THE COUNTY, TO VARIOUS STATE AND FEDERAL AGENCIES; WAIVING SECTION 203.3 (GRANT APPLICATION POLICY), SECTION 200 (BUDGET), ADMINISTRATIVE CODE.

RECITALS

WHEREAS, the County's Office of Intergovernmental Affairs ("OIA") coordinates with County Departments to identify grant opportunities that may provide funding opportunities to benefit the County; and

WHEREAS, the OIA has identified certain grants and/or grant programs from various State and Federal agencies for the calendar year 2024 grant cycle; and

WHEREAS, once the grantor agency publishes a notice of funding availability, the time to review the grant requirements, restrictions, and obligations, and prepare the grant proposal for submission is often under a short deadline, and does not avail itself to the County's legislative cycle; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the existing grant application policy all grant applications are required to be presented to the Board of County Commissioners for approval prior to submission; and

WHEREAS, providing the County Administrator the authority to execute and submit grant applications, for those grants and grant programs identified by OIA for the calendar year 2024 grant cycle, would provide for a more timely and efficient process; and

WHEREAS, when the County is awarded grant funds, OIA will prepare an agenda item for the Board to accept and approve the grant agreement and recognize and appropriate the awarded grant funds; and

WHEREAS, applying for grants in a timely and efficient manner is in the best interest of the County and its residents.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of St. Johns County, Florida that:

Section 1. The above recitals are hereby incorporated into the body of this

Resolution and are adopted as findings of fact.

Section 2. Section 203.3 (Grant Application Policy) is waived allowing for the submission of grant applications for those grants and grant programs identified herein, without being presented to the Board of County Commissioners for approval prior to submission.

Section 3. The County Administrator, or designee, is authorized, on behalf the of the County, to execute and submit grant applications, subject to review by the Office of County Attorney of the requirements, restrictions, and obligations of the grant, for the calendar year 2024 grant cycle for the following grants and/or grant programs: Florida Department of Environment Protection - water restoration, water quality improvement, alternative water supply grants, recreation and land acquisition and the Resilient Florida grant program; U.S. Department of Transportation - transportation grant programs; Fire and Emergency Services grants through Federal Emergency Management Agency and U.S. Health and Human Services; resiliency grants through Federal Emergency Management Agency; and Florida Department of Commerce - Florida Job Growth Grant and Broadband Grant programs.

Section 4. To the extent that there are typographical or administrative errors that do not change the tone, tenor, or concept of this resolution, this resolution may be revised without subsequent approval by the Board of County Commissioners.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of County Commissioners of St. Johns County, Florida, this 20th day of February, 2024.

**BOARD OF COUNTY
COMMISSIONERS OF ST.
JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA**

By: _____
Sarah Arnold, Chair

Rendition Date: FEB 20 2024

ATTEST: Brandon J. Patty, Clerk of the
Circuit Court and Comptroller

By: Crystal Smith _____ Deputy Clerk

