# CITY OF WILLISTON, FLORIDA CITY COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA

DATE:

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2024

TIME:

6:00 P.M.

PLACE:

WILLISTON CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER

# **CALL TO ORDER**

# ROLL CALL

# **MEMBERS**:

# OTHERS:

Mayor Charles Goodman Council President Debra Jones

Vacant

Vice-President Michael Cox Councilmember Zach Bullock Councilmember Darfeness Hinds City Manager Terry Bovaird Attorney Kiersten Ballou City Clerk Latricia Wright

# OPENING PRAYER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

<u>ITEM – 1 - ADMINISTRATION OF OATH OF OFFICE TO MEREDITH MARTIN. CITY CLERK LATRICIA WRIGHT.</u>

<u>ITEM – 2 – RECOGNIZING FRIENDS OF CORNELIUS WILLIAMS COMMUNITY PARK</u> <u>COMMITTEE AS "PIONEERS" OF THE COMMUNITY. MAYOR CHARLES GOODMAN.</u>

ITEM – 3 – ADDITIONS, DELETIONS, CHANGES AND APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

# ITEM – 4 – PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

# ITEM - 5 - CONSENT AGENDA - (pp 4-6)

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# ITEM – 6 – UPDATES

# A. STAFF AND BOARD AND COUNCIL UPDATES

- CITY MANAGER TERRY BOVAIRD
- STAFF
- COUNCIL
- MAYOR

# ITEM - 7 - NEW BUSINESS -

A. RESOLUTION 2024-25: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WILLISTON, FLORIDA, TO APPROVE 100% PAID GRANT FROM THE STATE FIRE MARSHALL'S OFFICE, FLORIDA FIREFIRGHTER

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- ASSISTANCE GRANT PROGRAM FOR \$47,500.00. THE GRANT IS FOR 5 EA. SCBA'S TANKS AND MASK. CHIEF LAMAR STEGALL. (pp 7-7)
- B. RESOLUTION 2024-26: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WILLISTON, FLORIDA; REAPPOINTING MR. MATTHEW BELLEFLEUR FOR A THREE-YEART TERM BEGINNING FEBRUARY 1, 2024, AND ENDING FEBRUARY 1, 2027; AND REAPPOINTING MR. RICHARD MERANDO FOR A THREE-YEAR TERM BEGINNING MARCH 1, 2024 AND ENDING MARCH 1, 2027, TO THE PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE. CITY PLANNER LAURA JONES. (pp 38-40)
- C. <u>RESOLUTION 2024-27: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WILLISTON, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE SALARY ADJUSTMENT OF THE CITY MANAGER. HR DIRECTOR BROOKE WILLIS.</u> (pp 41-49)
- D. <u>DISCUSSION WITH POSSIBLE ACTION: SPECIAL ELECTION FOR GROUP</u>
  "C" AND GROUP "D" SEATS. <u>COUNCIL PRESIDENT DEBRA</u>

  <u>JONES/ATTORNEY KIERSTEN BALLOU AND CITY CLERK LATRICIA</u>

  <u>WRIGHT.</u> (pp 50-51)

ITEM – 8 – PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

ITEM – 9 - ANNOUNCEMENTS

ITEM - 10 - ADJOURNMENT

# NEXT SCHEDULED COUNCIL MEETING MARCH 5, 2024 AT 6:00 P.M.

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#### Council Meeting Procedures for members of the Public

- 1. All cell phones to be turned off when entering the Council Chambers.
- 2. Once the audience has taken their seat and the meeting begins, there will be no talking between audience members during the course of the Council meeting. If anyone continues to talk within the audience and is called down 3 times during the course of the meeting, on the third time that person will be escorted out of the Council meeting:
- 3. The audience must be recognized by the President before being allowed to address the Council;
- 4. The member of the audience that is recognized will proceed to the podium, state their name for the benefit of the City Clerk, prior to offering comments on a given matter.
- 5. The audience member will be limited to not more than 5 minutes to speak based on Resolution 2020-28.
- 6. There will be no personal attacks made by any member in the audience toward a sitting Council member and no personal attacks made by any Council member toward a member of the audience;
- 7. There will be no conversation between a member of the audience that has been recognized and any other member of the audience when speaking while at the podium;
- 8. If an audience member wants to speak more than the allotted 5 minutes allowed then that person should make a request to City Hall so that the item may be placed on the agenda.

Minutes of the City Council meeting may be obtained from the City Clerk's office. The minutes are recorded, but not transcribed verbatim. Persons requiring a verbatim transcript may make arrangements with the City Clerk to duplicate the recordings, or arrange to have a court reporter present at the meeting. The cost of duplication and/or court reporter will be borne by the requesting party.

In accordance with <u>Section 286.0105</u>, <u>Florida Statutes</u>, notice is given that if a person wishes to appeal a decision made by the City Council with respect to any matter considered at this meeting they will need a record of the proceedings, and for such purpose may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceeding is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is based.

In accordance with <u>Section 286.26</u>, <u>Florida Statutes</u>, persons with disabilities needing special accommodations to participate in this meeting should contact the Mayor through the City Clerk's office no later than 5:00 P.M. on the day prior to the meeting.

# CITY OF WILLISTON, FLORIDA CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

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# OPENING PRAYER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

Opening prayer and pledge led by Mayor Goodman.

# <u>ITEM – 1 – ADDITIONS, DELETIONS, CHANGES AND APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA</u> Motion to approve agenda by Councilmember Bullock. Seconded by Vice-President Cox. Motion carried 4-0.

# \*Councilmember Hinds arrived.

<u>ITEM – 2 – MAYORS STUDENT OF THE MONTH.</u> Cody Martin, Kindergarten, Joyce Bullock Elementary, Irena Chen, 4<sup>th</sup> Grade, Williston Elementary, Nerrimar Miranda, 8<sup>th</sup> Grade, Williston Middle-High School. – Mayor Goodman presented the students with a "Outstanding Student Certificate" and a certificate for a pizza from Dominos.

 $\underline{ITEM-3-PUBLIC\ PARTICIPATION}$  — Williston resident Daryl Monroe- issues about his utility bill.

<u>ITEM – 4 – CONSENT AGENDA</u> – Motion to approve consent agenda by Councilmember Bullock. Seconded by Vice-President Cox. Motion carried 5-0.

Council minutes from January 16, 2024

# ITEM - 5 - UPDATES

# A. STAFF AND BOARD AND COUNCIL UPDATES

 CITY MANAGER TERRY BOVAIRD- Workshop for high-speed internet coming soon. Introduced the new Code Enforcement Officer Donald Adams. Golf cart signs are up in the SW area of town. Received MOU from WAG regarding the Williston

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- Community Animal Rescue. The sidewalk in front of Palm Medical has been repaired.
- STAFF City Planner Jones had Walt Nickel from Wright-Pierce give an update on the different grants the city has applied for and received.
- COUNCIL Councilmember Cox- was given a tour of the city's wastewater plant.
   Council President Jones asked if anything can be done about the curve at Main and Noble.
- MAYOR New Hope Missionary Baptist Church will be recognizing Chief Rolls and Councilmember Hinds February 18<sup>th</sup> for Black History Month.

# <u>ITEM – 6 – NEW BUSINESS – </u>

- A. RESOLUTION 2024-17: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WILLISTON, FLORIDA, APPROVING THE RECIPROCAL GRANT BETWEEN DAWN RENEE RINGER AND THE CITY OF WILLISTON WITH LEGAL DESCRIPTIONS AS OUTLINED IN THE ATTACHED RECIPROCAL EASEMENT DOCUMENT; AUTHORIZING THE CITY COUNCIL PRESIDENT TO EXECUTE THE RECIPROCAL EASEMENT DOCUMENT; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE. CITY MANAGER TERRY BOVAIRD. Motion to approve Resolution 2024-17 by Councilmember Bullock. Seconded by Vice-President Cox. Motion carried 5-0.
- B. RESOLUTION 2024-24: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WILLISTON, FLORIDA, RELATING TO THE STATE REVOLVING FUND LOAN PROGRAM; MAKING FINDINGS; AUTHORIZING THE LOAN APPLICATION; AUTHORIZING THE LOAN AGREEMENT; ESTABLISHING PLEDGED REVENUES; DESIGNATING AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVES; PROVIDING ASSURANCES; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS, SEVERABILITY, AND EFFECTIVE DATE. WALT NICKEL-WRIGHT-PIERCE. Motion to approve Resolution 2024-24 by Vice-President Cox. Seconded by Councilmember Hinds. Motion carried 5-0.
- C. <u>DISCUSSION WITH POSSIBLE ACTION: ASSISTANCE TO FIREFIGHTER GRANT. FIRE CHIEF LAMAR STEGALL/ASSISTANT FIRE CHIEF JIMMY WILLIS.</u> Motion to have Fire Department apply for the grant by Councilmember Bullock. Seconded by Vice-President Cox. Motion carried 5-0.
- D. RESOLUTION 2024-15: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WILLISTON, FLORIDA, APPROVING THE STATEWIDE MUTUAL AID AGREEMENT; AUTHORIZING APPROPRIATE PARTIES TO SIGN THE AGREEMENT; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE. CITY MANAGER TERRY BOVAIRD. Motion to approve Resolution 2024-15 by Councilmember Bullock. Seconded by Councilmember Hinds. Motion carried 5-0.
- E. RESOLUTION 2024-21: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WILLISTON, FLORIDA, TO APPROVE CHANGE ORDER 1 FOR THE

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AIRPORT TERMINAL BUILDING PROJECT MAKING CHANGES AS OUTLINED IN CHANGE ORDER 1 FROM GRAY CONSTRUCTION SERVICES, INC.; AUTHORIZING APPROPRIATE PARTIES TO SIGN ANY DOCUMENTS REQUIRED TO EXECUTE SAME; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE. AIRPORT MANAGER BENTON STEGALL. – Motion to approve Resolution 2024-21 by Councilmember Bullock. Seconded by Councilmember Hinds. Motion carried 5-0.

- F. RESOLUTION 2024-22: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WILLISTON, FLORIDA, APPROVING THE LAND LEASE AGREEMENT FOR LAND WITH EXISTING BUILDING BETWEEN J & S TRAILER REPAIR SERVICE, INC., AND THE CITY OF WILLISTON FOR PROPERTY AT THE AIRPORT WITH A LEGAL DESCRIPTION AS OUTLINED IN THE ATTACHED LAND LEASE AGREEMENT; AUTHORIZING THE CITY COUNCIL PRESIDENT TO EXECUTE THE LAND LEASE AGREEMENT; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE. AIRPORT MANAGER BENTON STEGALL. Motion to approve Resolution 2024-22 by Councilmember Bullock. Seconded by Councilmember Hinds. Motion carried 5-0.
- G. <u>DISCUSSION WITH POSSIBLE ACTION: TEMPORARY APPOINTMENT FOR GROUP "C" SEAT. COUNCIL PRESIDENT DEBRA JONES.</u>—Motion to appoint Meredith Martin to Council seat "C" until May 2024. Seconded by Vice-President Cox. Motion carried 5-0.
- H. <u>DISCUSSION WITH POSSIBLE ACTION: PERFORMANCE EVALUATION</u> <u>FOR THE CITY MANAGER. HR DIRECTOR KRYSTAL PATTERSON.</u> Council President Jones <u>passed the gavel to Vice-President Cox.</u> Motion to give City Manager a 10% increase in pay by President Jones. Seconded by Councilmember Bullock. Motion carried 5-0.

# ITEM – 7 – PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – None

<u>ITEM - 8 – ANNOUNCEMENTS</u> – Councilmember Bullock announced the Rib cook-off this weekend at the Etheridge Farm and the cake auction at the Middle High School. Chief Rolls thanked the Florida Highway Patrol and the Belleview Police Department for tasers, batteries, taser holders and speed trailer that was donated to the Williston Police Department. Williston resident Albert Fuller asked about the Charter Review.

<u>ITEM – 9 – ADJOURNMENT</u> – Motion to adjourn at 7:45 by Councilmember Bullock. Seconded by Councilmember Hinds. Motion carried 5-0.

Date: 02/20/2024

# **COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM**

# **RESOLUTION 2024-25**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WILLISTON, FLORIDA. TO APPROVE 100% PAID GRANT FROM THE STATE FIRE MARSHALL'S OFFICE, FLORIDA FIREFIGHTER ASSISTANCE GRANT PROGRAM FOR \$47,500.00. THE GRANT IS FOR 5 EA. SCBA'S TANKS AND MASK.

REQUESTED BY: CHIEF LAMAR STEGALL

PREPARED BY: DANNY WALLACE

FISCAL IMPACTS: The grant will not reflect on the Fire Department Budget do to 100% will be reimbursed to the City of Williston for the purchase amount of \$47,500.00 dollars.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Staff recommends approval.

ATTACHMENTS:

CONTRACT XX RESOLUTION 2024-25 XX MAP

LEASE XX OTHER DOCUMENTS

COUNCIL ACTION:
\_\_\_\_\_APPROVED
DENIED

# **RESOLUTION NUMBER 2024-25**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WILLISTON, FLORIDA, TO APPROVE 100% PAID GRANT FROM THE STATE FIRE MARSHALL'S OFFICE, FLORIDA FIREFIGHTER ASSISTANCE GRANT PROGRAM FOR \$47,500.00. THE GRANT IS FOR 5 EA. SCBA'S TANKS AND MASK.

WHEREAS: The City of Williston generally agreed to approve the purchase the 5 SCBA's complete for \$47,500.00 for 100% paid grant.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WILLISTON, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:

**Section 1.** 100% paid grant from the state fire marshall's office, Florida firefighter assistance grant program for \$47,500.00. the grant is for 5 ea. SCBA'S tanks and mask the above recitals are all true and accurate and are hereby incorporated herein and made a part of this resolution.

**Section 2**. The above recitals are true and accurate and are made a part of this resolution.

Section 3. This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon adoption.

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# PASSED AND ADOPTED a meeting of the City Council this 20th Day of February 2024.

# CITY OF WILLISTON, FLORIDA

В	Y:
ATTEST:	Debra Jones, City Council President
Latricia Wright, City Clerk	
APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALIT	Y:
Scott Walker or Kiersten Ballou, City Attorney	



November 8, 2023

RETURN RECEIPT MAIL

Williston Fire Department 5 SW 1 Av Williston, FL 32696

Re: Florida Firefighter Assistance Grant Program

Dear Chief Stegall:

On behalf of the Division of State Fire Marshal, we are pleased to inform you that your grant application submitted under the Fiscal Year 2023/24 Florida Firefighter Assistance Grant Program has been approved. The Bureau of Fire Standards and Training carries out the responsibilities of administering your grant. The approved project is to purchase five Self-contained Breathing Apparatus not to exceed a cost of \$47,500.00. There would be no cost to you, unless you exceed the maximum amount of the award.

In order for your department to participate in this grant award, you are required to accept the grant award within 30 calendar days of receipt. Please send your acceptance/denial email to firefightergrant@myfloridacfo.com. Additionally, if accepted, the department/fire service provider is required to approve and execute the Agreement and submit a copy of the entire contract document by email to firefightergrant@myfloridacfo.com.

As per grant award, the department/fire service provider is required to be in "full" Safety Compliance from the Bureau of Fire Standards and Training. Any outstanding compliance items are to be completed within 90 days of the grant award notification. If not completed, then the grant award will be revoked.

If you have any questions, concerns, or need assistance with regards to this process, please call Charles Frank at 352-369-2830.

Charles Frank

Cc: Gena Tucker, Assistant Superintendent, Florida State Fire College

Att.: Grant Agreement

CHARLES FRANK • STATE VOLUNTEER FIRE COORDINATOR

STATE FIRE MARSHAL • BUREAU OF FIRE STANDARDS AND TRAINING

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# GRANT AGREEMENT BETWEEN DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL SERVICES AND CITY OF WILLISTON

THIS GRANT AGREEMENT (Agreement) is made and entered into by and between the Department of Financial Services (Department), an agency of the state of Florida (State), and City of Williston (Grantee), and is effective as of the date last signed. The Department and the Grantee are sometimes referred to herein individually as a "Party" or collectively as the "Parties."

#### THIS AGREEMENT IS ENTERED INTO BASED ON THE FOLLOWING REPRESENTATIONS:

WHEREAS, the Florida Legislature created the Firefighter Assistance Grant Program within the Division of State Fire Marshal (Division) to improve the emergency response capability of volunteer fire departments and combination fire departments by providing financial assistance to improve firefighter safety and enable such fire departments to provide firefighting, emergency medical, and rescue services to their communities;

WHEREAS, the Division is to administer the program and annually award grants to volunteer fire departments and combination fire departments using the annual Florida Fire Service Needs Assessment Survey;

WHEREAS, the purpose of the grants is to provide funding to such fire departments to provide volunteer firefighter training and procure necessary firefighter personal protective clothing and equipment (PPE), self-contained breathing apparatus equipment, and fire engine pumper apparatus equipment;

WHEREAS, the Florida Legislature has appropriated funds for the 2023-2024 State fiscal year to the Department to implement section 633.135, F.S., for the specific purposes stated therein, and the Department has the authority to grant these funds to the Grantee upon the terms and conditions set forth herein and in Rule 69A-37.502, Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C.); and

WHEREAS, the Grantee represents that it is fully qualified and eligible to receive these grant funds and will use them for the purposes identified herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Department and the Grantee do mutually agree as follows:

# 1. Performance Requirements:

The Grantee shall perform the tasks specified herein in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Agreement, including its attachments, addenda, and exhibits, which are incorporated by reference herein. The performance requirements are more specifically described in Attachment 2, Statement of Work (SOW). The definitions of terms and acronyms in the SOW will apply herein, unless otherwise defined in this Agreement.

# 2. Compliance with Laws, Rules, Regulations, and Policies:

The Grantee shall comply with the applicable state and federal laws, rules, regulations, and policies including, but not limited to, those identified in this Agreement.

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#### 3. Agreement Duration:

The term of this Agreement begins on the date the Agreement is last signed (effective date) and ends on the last day of the state's fiscal year in which the grant was awarded. The Department shall not be obligated to pay for costs incurred by the Grantee related to this Agreement prior to this Agreement's effective date or after its ending date. The term of this Agreement may not be extended or renewed.

# 4. Payment and Funding Considerations:

- 4.1. Funding: This Agreement is a cost-reimbursement agreement, not to exceed the amount of funds stated in Attachment 1, Specific Grant Awards. Such funds shall be paid by the Department in consideration for the Grantee's performance of the requirements as set forth by the terms and conditions of this Agreement. Pursuant to section 287.0582, F.S., for any agreement binding the State or the Department for a period in excess of one State fiscal year, the State's and the Department's performance and obligation to pay under that agreement are contingent upon an annual appropriation by the Legislature.
- **4.2.** Payment Process: Subject to the terms and conditions established by this Agreement, the pricing method per deliverable established in the SOW, and the billing procedures established by the Department, the Department agrees to pay the Grantee in accordance with section 215.422, F.S., for its performance under this Agreement, as described in the SOW. The applicable interest rate can be obtained at: <a href="https://www.myfloridacfo.com/Division/AA/Vendors/default.htm">https://www.myfloridacfo.com/Division/AA/Vendors/default.htm</a>.
- **4.3. Grantee Rights:** A Vendor Ombudsman has been established within the Department. The duties of the Vendor Ombudsman include acting as an advocate for grantees who may be experiencing problems in obtaining timely payment(s) from a state agency. The Vendor Ombudsman may be reached at (850) 413-5516.
- 4.4. Taxes: The Department is exempted from the payment of State sales and use tax and Federal Excise Tax. Unless otherwise provided by law, the Grantee shall not be exempt from paying State sales and use tax to the appropriate governmental agencies, nor shall the Grantee be exempted from paying its suppliers for any taxes on materials used to fulfill its contractual obligations under this Agreement. The Grantee shall not use the Department's exemption number in securing such materials. The Grantee shall be responsible and liable for the payment of all its FICA/Social Security and other taxes resulting from this Agreement. The Grantee shall provide the Department its taxpayer identification number upon request.
- 4.5. Invoicing and Acceptance: All charges for performance under this Agreement or for reimbursement of expenses authorized by the Department shall be submitted to the Department in sufficient detail for a proper pre-audit and post-audit to be performed. The Grantee must submit invoices in accordance with the time requirements specified in the SOW. The Department will reimburse the Grantee for the performance required by the Agreement and any authorized expenses only upon the timely and satisfactory completion of the applicable performance and compliance requirements of the SOW. Payment for the deliverables is conditioned upon written acceptance by the Department's designated contract manager (Contract Manager) identified in Section 34, below. If the Department determines that circumstances warrant, the Department may accept partial performance and make partial payments for partial performance.
- 5. **Expenditures:** All expenditures must be in compliance with the laws, rules, and regulations applicable to expenditures of State funds, including, but not limited to the State's Reference Guide for State Expenditures. The Grantee shall submit invoices for performance or expenses in accordance with the requirements of this reference guide, which can be obtained at: reference-guide-for-state-expenditures.pdf (myfloridacfo.com).

The Grantee may not spend funds received under this Agreement for the purposes of lobbying the Florida legislature, the judicial branch, or a State agency.

# 6. Governing Laws of the State:

- 6.1. Governing Law: The Grantee agrees that this Agreement is entered into in the State, and shall be construed, performed, and enforced in all respects in accordance with the laws, rules, and regulations of the State. Each Party shall perform its obligations herein in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Agreement. Without limiting the provisions of Section 28, Dispute Resolution, the exclusive venue of any legal or equitable action that arises out of or relates to this Agreement shall be the appropriate State court in Leon County, Florida; in any such action, the Parties waive any right to jury trial.
- **6.2.** Ethics: The Grantee shall comply with the requirements of sections 11.062 and 216.347, F.S. The Grantee shall not, in connection with this or any other agreement with the State, directly or indirectly: (1) offer, confer, or agree to confer any pecuniary benefit on anyone as consideration for any State officer or State employee's decision, opinion, recommendation, vote, other exercise of discretion, or violation of a known legal duty; or (2) offer, give, or agree to give to anyone any gratuity for the benefit of, or at the direction or request of, any State officer or State employee. For purposes of clause (2), "gratuity" means any payment of more than nominal monetary value in the form of cash, travel, entertainment, gifts, meals, lodging, loans, subscriptions, advances, deposits of money, services, employment, or contracts of any kind. Upon request of the Department's Inspector General, or other authorized State official, the Grantee shall provide any type of information the Inspector General deems relevant to the Grantee's integrity or responsibility. Such information may include, but shall not be limited to, the Grantee's business or financial records, documents, or files of any type or form that refer to or relate to this Agreement. The Grantee shall retain such records in accordance with the record retention requirements of Part V of Attachment 3, Audit Requirements for Awards of State and Federal Financial Assistance. Only the provisions applicable to State funding in Attachment 3, Audit Requirements for Awards of State and Federal Financial Assistance, are applicable to this grant.

# 6.3. Employment Eligibility Verification: N/A

- **6.4.** Advertising: Subject to chapter 119, F.S., the Grantee shall not publicly disseminate any information concerning this Agreement without prior written approval from the Department, including, but not limited to, mentioning this Agreement in a press release or other promotional material, identifying the Department or the State as a reference, or otherwise linking the Grantee's name and either a description of this Agreement or the name of the Department or the State in any material published, either in print or electronically, to any entity that is not a Party to this Agreement, except potential or actual authorized distributors, dealers, resellers, or service representatives.
- **6.5. Sponsorship:** As required by section 286.25, F.S., if the Grantee is a nongovernmental organization which sponsors a program that is financed wholly or in part by State funds, including any funds obtained through this Agreement, it shall, in publicizing, advertising, or describing the sponsorship of the program, state: "Sponsored by (Grantee's name) and the State of Florida, Department of Financial Services." If the sponsorship reference is in written material, the words "State of Florida, Department of Financial Services" shall appear in the same size letters or type as the name of the Grantee.

#### 7. Mandatory Disclosure Requirements:

- 7.1. Conflict of Interest: This Agreement is subject to chapter 112, F.S. The Grantee shall disclose the name of any officer, director, employee, or other agent who is also an employee of the State. The Grantee shall also disclose the name of any State employee who owns, directly or indirectly, more than a five percent (5%) interest in the Grantee or its affiliates.
- **7.2.** Convicted Vendor List: The Grantee has a continuous duty to disclose to the Department if the Grantee or any of its affiliates, as defined by section 287.133(1)(a), F.S., are placed on the convicted vendor list. Pursuant to section 287.133(2)(a), F.S.: "A person or affiliate who has been placed on the convicted vendor list following a conviction for a public entity crime may not

submit a bid, proposal, or reply on a contract to provide any goods or services to a public entity; may not submit a bid, proposal, or reply on a contract with a public entity for the construction or repair of a public building or public work; may not submit bids, proposals, or replies on leases of real property to a public entity; may not be awarded or perform work as a contractor, supplier, subcontractor, or consultant under a contract with any public entity; and may not transact business with any public entity in excess of the threshold amount provided in s. 287.017, F.S., for CATEGORY TWO for a period of 36 months following the date of being placed on the convicted vendor list."

- 7.3. Discriminatory Vendor List: The Grantee has a continuous duty to disclose to the Department if the Grantee or any of its affiliates, as defined by section 287.134(1)(a), F.S., are placed on the discriminatory vendor list. Pursuant to section 287.134(2)(a), F.S.: "An entity or affiliate who has been placed on the discriminatory vendor list may not submit a bid, proposal, or reply on a contract to provide any goods or services to a public entity; may not submit a bid, proposal, or reply on a contract with a public entity for the construction or repair of a public building or public work; may not submit bids, proposals, or replies on leases of real property to a public entity; may not be awarded or perform work as a contractor, supplier, subcontractor, or consultant under a contract with any public entity; and may not transact business with any public entity."
- 7.4. Continuing Duty of Disclosure of Legal Proceedings: N/A
- 7.5. Antitrust Violator Vendor List: The Grantee has a continuous duty to disclose to the Department if the Grantee or any of its affiliates, as defined by section 287.137(1)(a), F.S., are placed on the antitrust violator vendor list. Pursuant to section 287.137(2)(a), F.S.: "A person or an affiliate who has been placed on the antitrust violator vendor list following a conviction or being held civilly liable for an antitrust violation may not submit a bid, proposal, or reply for any new contract to provide any goods or services to a public entity; may not submit a bid, proposal, or reply for a new contract with a public entity for the construction or repair of a public building or public work; may not submit a bid, proposal, or reply on new leases of real property to a public entity; may not be awarded or perform work as a contractor, supplier, subcontractor, or consultant under a new contract with a public entity; and may not transact new business with a public entity."
- 7.6. Department Inspection of Records: Pursuant to section 216.1366, F.S., the Grantee shall permit the Department to inspect the Grantee's financial records, papers, and documents that are directly related to the performance of the Agreement or the expenditure of state funds and the Contractor's programmatic records, papers, and documents which the Department determines are necessary to monitor the performance of the Agreement or to ensure that the terms of the Agreement are being met. The Contractor shall provide such records, papers, and documents to the Department's Contract Manager within 10 business days after a request is made to the Contractor.
- 7.7. Foreign Gifts and Contracts: The Grantee shall comply with any applicable disclosure requirements in section 286.101, F.S. Pursuant to section 286.101(7), F.S.: "In addition to any fine assessed under [section 286.101(7)(a)], a final order determining a third or subsequent violation by an entity other than a state agency or political subdivision shall automatically disqualify the entity from eligibility for any grant or contract funded by a state agency or any political subdivision until such ineligibility is lifted by the Administration Commission for good cause."

#### 8. Funding Requirements of Section 215.971(1), F.S.:

- **8.1.** The Grantee shall perform all tasks contained in the SOW.
- **8.2.** Receipt by the Grantee of the Department's written acceptance of the units of deliverables specified herein is a condition precedent to payment under this Agreement and is contingent upon the Grantee's compliance with the specified performance measure (i.e., each deliverable must satisfy at least the minimum acceptable level of service specified in the SOW and the Department shall apply the applicable criteria stated in the SOW to determine satisfactory completion of each deliverable).

- **8.3.** If the Grantee fails to meet the minimum level of service specified in the SOW, the Department shall apply the financial consequences for such failure as specified herein.
- **8.4.** The Grantee may only expend funding under this Agreement for allowable costs resulting from obligations incurred during the term of this Agreement.
- **8.5.** The Grantee shall refund to the Department any balance of unobligated funds that was advanced or paid to the Grantee.
- **8.6.** The Grantee shall refund to the Department all funds paid in excess of the amount to which the Grantee is entitled under the terms and conditions of this Agreement.
- 9. Advance Payments: If authorized by sections 215.422(15) or 216.181(16), F.S., and approved in writing by the Department, the Grantee may be provided an advance as part of this Agreement.
- 10. Final Invoice: The Grantee shall submit its final invoice to the Department no later than thirty (30) calendar days after the Agreement ends or, in the case of termination, when this Agreement is terminated. If the Grantee fails to do so, the Department may, at its sole discretion, refuse to honor any request submitted by the Grantee after this time period and may consider the Grantee to have forfeited any and all rights to payment under this Agreement.

#### 11. Return or Recoupment of Funds:

- 11.1. If the Grantee or its independent auditor, if applicable, discovers that an overpayment has been made, the Grantee shall repay said overpayment within forty (40) calendar days of notification of discovery without prior notification from the Department. If the Department first discovers an overpayment has been made, the Department will notify the Grantee in writing. Should repayment not be made in a timely manner, the Department shall be entitled to charge interest at the lawful rate of interest on the outstanding balance beginning forty (40) calendar days after the date of notification or discovery. A check for the amount due should be sent to the Department's Contract Manager and made payable to the "Department of Financial Services."
- 11.2. Notwithstanding the damages limitations of Section 29, if the Grantee's non-compliance with any provision of this Agreement results in additional costs or monetary loss to the Department or the State, the Department may recoup the costs or losses from monies owed to the Grantee under this Agreement or any other Agreement between the Grantee and any State entity. If additional costs or losses are discovered when no monies are available under this Agreement or any other Agreement between the Grantee and any State entity, the Grantee shall repay such costs or losses to the Department within thirty (30) calendar days of the date of discovery or notification, unless the Department agrees, in writing, to an alternative timeframe.

#### 12. Audits and Records:

- 12.1. Representatives of the Department, including, but not limited to, the State's Chief Financial Officer or the State's Auditor General, or representatives of the federal government shall have access to any of the Grantee's books, documents, papers, and records, including electronic storage media, as they may relate to this Agreement, for the purposes of conducting audits or examinations or making excerpts or transcriptions.
- 12.2. The Grantee shall maintain books, records, and documents in accordance with the generally accepted accounting principles to sufficiently and properly reflect all expenditures of funds provided by the Department under this Agreement.
- 12.3. The Grantee shall comply with all applicable requirements of section 215.97, F.S., and Attachment 3, Audit Requirements for Awards of State and Federal Financial Assistance. If the Grantee is required to undergo an audit, the Grantee shall disclose all related-party transactions to the auditor.
- 12.4. The Grantee shall retain all the Grantee records, financial records, supporting documents, statistical records, and any other documents, including electronic storage media, pertinent to this Agreement in accordance with the record retention requirements of Part V of Attachment 3, Audit

Requirements for Awards of State and Federal Financial Assistance, or the period required by the General Records Schedule maintained by the Florida Department of State (available at: https://dos.myflorida.com/media/703328/gs1-sl-2020.pdf),

whichever is longer. The Grantee shall cooperate with the Department to facilitate the duplication and transfer of such records or documents upon the Department's request. If the Grantee is required to comply with section 119.0701, F.S., then compliance with the retention of records in accordance with section 119.0701(2)(b)4., F.S., will fulfill the above stated requirement. If the Grantee's record retention requirements terminate prior to the requirements stated herein, the Grantee may meet the Department's record retention requirements for the Agreement by transferring its records to the Department at that time, and by destroying duplicate records in accordance with section 501.171, F.S., and, if applicable, section 119.0701, F.S. The Grantee shall adhere to established information destruction standards such as those established by the National Institute of Standards and Technology Special Publication 800-88, "Guidelines for Media Sanitization" (2014) (available at: https://nvlpubs.nist.gov/nistpubs/SpecialPublications/NIST.SP.800-88r1.pdf).

- **12.5.** The Grantee shall include the aforementioned audit and record-keeping requirements in all approved subgrantee agreements and assignments.
- 12.6. The Grantee agrees to reimburse the State for the reasonable costs of investigation incurred by the Department's Inspector General or other authorized state official for investigations of the Grantee's compliance with the terms of this Agreement or any other agreement between the Grantee and the State which results in the suspension or debarment of the Grantee. Such costs include, but they are not limited to, salaries of investigators, including overtime; travel and lodging expenses; and expert witness and documentary fees. The Grantee shall not be responsible for any costs of investigations that do not result in the Grantee's suspension or debarment.
- 12.7. The Grantee understands its duty, pursuant to section 20.055(5), F.S., to cooperate with the Department's Inspector General in any investigation, audit, inspection, review, or hearing. The Grantee shall comply with this duty and ensure that its contracts issued under this Agreement, if any, impose this requirement, in writing, on its contractors.
- 13. Public Records: The Grantee shall comply with the applicable requirements of Addendum A, Public Records Requirements, which is incorporated by reference herein. All references to "Contractor" within Addendum A shall refer to "Agreement."

#### 14. Assignments, Subgrants, and Contracts:

- 14.1. Unless otherwise specified in the SOW, or through prior written approval of the Department, the Grantee may not: 1) subgrant any of the funds provided to the Grantee by the Department under this Agreement; 2) contract its duties or responsibilities under this Agreement out to a third party; or 3) assign any of the Grantee's rights or responsibilities hereunder, unless specifically permitted by law to do so. Any such subgrant, contract, or assignment occurring without the prior written consent of the Department will be null and void. If the Department approves the transfer of any of the Grantee's obligations under this Agreement, the Grantee remains responsible for all work performed and all expenses incurred in connection with the Agreement. In addition, this Agreement will bind the successors, assigns, and legal representatives of the Grantee, and of any legal entity that succeeds the Grantee, to the Grantee's obligations to the Department.
- 14.2. The Grantee agrees to be responsible for all work performed and all expenses incurred in fulfilling the obligations of this Agreement. If the Department permits the Grantee to contract all or part of the work contemplated under this Agreement, including entering into contracts with vendors for services, it is understood by the Grantee that all such contract arrangements must be evidenced by a written document containing all provisions necessary to ensure the contractor's compliance with applicable state and federal laws. The Grantee further agrees that the Department shall not be liable to the contractor for any expenses or liabilities incurred under the contract and that the Grantee

- shall be solely liable to the contractor for all expenses and liabilities incurred under the contract. The Grantee, at its expense, will defend the Department against such claims.
- **14.3.** The Grantee agrees that the Department may assign or transfer the Department's rights, duties, or obligations under this Agreement to another governmental entity upon giving prior written notice to the Grantee.
- 14.4. The Grantee agrees to make payments to its subgrantees and contractors, if any, within seven (7) business days after receipt of full or partial payments from the Department in accordance with section 287.0585, F.S., unless otherwise stated in the agreement(s) between the Grantee and the contractor(s). Unless the Grantee and the subgrantee(s) or contractor(s) contract for an alternate payment schedule, the Grantee's failure to pay its subgrantees or contractors, if any, within seven (7) business days will result in a statutory penalty charged against the Grantee and paid to the subgrantee or contractor in the amount of one-half of one (1) percent of the amount due per day from the expiration of the period allowed herein for payment. Such statutory penalty will be in addition to actual payments owed and will not exceed fifteen (15) percent of the outstanding balance due.
- 15. MyFloridaMarketPlace: Disbursements under this Agreement are disbursements of State financial assistance to a recipient as defined in the Florida Single Audit Act, section 215.97, F.S., and are exempt from the MyFloridaMarketPlace Transaction Fee pursuant to Rule 60A-1.031(6)(g), F.A.C. Payments will be made according to the SOW and not through the MyFloridaMarketPlace system.

# 16. Nonexpendable Property:

- **16.1.** For the requirements of this Section of the Agreement, "nonexpendable property" is the same as "property" as defined in section 273.02, F.S. (equipment, fixtures, and other tangible personal property of a non-consumable and nonexpendable nature).
- 16.2. The Grantee shall have ownership of all PPE, SCBA, or pumper fire apparatus purchased under this Agreement. All nonexpendable property purchased under this Agreement must be listed on the property records of the Grantee in accordance with the requirements of Rule 69I-72.002, F.A.C. For the purposes of section 273.03, F.S., the Grantee is the custodian of all nonexpendable property and shall be primarily responsible for the supervision, control, and disposition of the property in his or her custody (but may delegate its use and immediate control to a person under his or her supervision and may require custody receipts). The Grantee must submit an inventory report to the Department with the final expenditure report and inventory annually and maintain accounting records for all nonexpendable property purchased under the Agreement. The records must include information necessary to identify the property, which at a minimum, must include the following: property tag identification number; description of the item(s); if a group of items, the number and description of the components; physical location; name, make or manufacturer; year and/or model; manufacturer's serial number(s); if an automobile, the vehicle identification number and title certificate number; date of acquisition; cost or value at date of acquisition; date last inventoried; and the current condition of the item.
- 16.3. PPE and SCBA property must not be relocated, distributed, gifted, or loaned to any other fire service provider, agency, or individual. At no time shall the Grantee dispose of nonexpendable property purchased under this Agreement without the prior written permission of, and in accordance with instructions from, the Department. In addition to its plain meaning, "dispose of" includes selling, exchanging, transferring, distributing, gifting, and loaning. If the Grantee proposes to dispose of the nonexpendable property or take any other action that will impact its ownership of the property or modify the use of the property other than for the purposes stated herein, the Department shall have the right, in its sole discretion, to demand that the Grantee reimburse the Department the fair market value of the impacted nonexpendable property.
- **16.4.** The Grantee is responsible for any loss, damage, or theft of, and any loss, damage or injury caused by the use of, nonexpendable property purchased with State funds and held in its possession for use

- in accordance with this Agreement. The Grantee shall immediately notify the Department, in writing, upon discovery of any property loss with the date and reason(s) for the loss.
- 16.5. The Grantee is responsible for the correct use of all nonexpendable property obtained using funds provided by this Agreement and for the implementation of adequate maintenance procedures to keep the nonexpendable property in good operating condition.
- **16.6.** PPE shall only be assigned to firefighters that are on the roster of the Grantee and recorded in the Division's online electronic database. SCBA property may be shared to facilitate all-hazard responses with other fire service providers during emergency responses.
- 16.7. The pumper fire apparatus shall not be relocated, distributed, gifted, or loaned to any other fire service provider, agency, or individual. The pumper fire apparatus shall not be modified by any means without the prior written approval of the Department. If the Grantee has received a grant to replace an unsafe fire apparatus, the Grantee is required to permanently remove the replaced vehicle from its vehicle inventory until deemed to be safe for operation by a certified Emergency Vehicle Technician. The Grantee shall not gift, sell, or transfer the unsafe fire apparatus to any other fire service provider.

#### 17. Disposition of Property:

The Grantee shall provide advance written notification to the Department, if during the five (5) year period following the termination of this Agreement or the depreciable life of the nonexpendable property (determined by the depreciation schedule in use by the Grantee) purchased under this Agreement, whichever period is shorter, the Grantee proposes to dispose of or take any other action that will impact its ownership of the nonexpendable property or modify the use of the nonexpendable property from the purposes authorized herein. If any of these situations arise, the Department shall have the right, in its sole discretion, to demand that the Grantee immediately reimburse the Department the fair market value of the impacted nonexpendable property valued at the time of disposition or modified use.

# 18. Additional Requirements Applicable to the Purchase of, or Improvements to, Real Property: N/A

#### 19. Data Security and Information Resource Acquisition: N/A

#### 20. Insurance:

- 20.1. The Grantee shall, at its sole expense, maintain insurance coverage of such types and with such terms and limits as may be reasonably associated with the Agreement. Adequate insurance coverage is a material obligation of the Grantee, and the failure to maintain such coverage may void the Agreement. The limits of coverage under each policy maintained by the Grantee shall not be interpreted as limiting the Grantee's liability and obligations under this Agreement. All insurance policies must be through insurers authorized to write policies in the State. Specific insurance requirements, if any, are listed in the SOW.
- **20.2.** The Department shall be exempt from, and in no way liable for, any sums of money representing a deductible in any insurance policy. The payment of such deductible will be the sole responsibility of the Grantee.

#### 21. Patents, Copyrights, and Royalties: N/A

22. Intellectual Property Rights: Each party shall retain its intellectual property rights to its intellectual property. No intellectual property is to be created or otherwise developed by Grantee for the Department under this Agreement.

- 23. Independent Contractor Status: It is mutually understood and agreed to that at all times during the Grantee's performance of its duties and responsibilities under this Agreement Grantee is acting and performing as an independent contractor. The Department shall neither have nor exercise any control or direction over the methods by which the Grantee shall perform its work and functions other than as provided herein. Nothing in this Agreement is intended to or will be deemed to constitute a partnership or joint venture between the Parties.
  - 23.1. Unless the Grantee is a State agency, the Grantee (and its officers, agents, employees, subrecipients, contractors, or assignees), in performance of this Agreement, shall act in the capacity of an independent contractor and not as an officer, employee, or agent of the State. Further, unless specifically authorized to do so, the Grantee shall not represent to others that, as the Grantee, it has the authority to bind the Department or the State.
  - **23.2.** Unless the Grantee is a State agency, neither the Grantee nor its officers, agents, employees, subrecipients, contractors, or assignees, are entitled to State retirement or State leave benefits, or to any other compensation of State employment as a result of performing the duties and obligations of this Agreement.
  - 23.3. The Grantee agrees to take such actions as may be necessary to ensure that each subrecipient or contractor will also be deemed to be an independent contractor and will not be considered or permitted to be in a joint venture with the State, nor an agent, servant, or partner of the State as a result of this Agreement.
  - 23.4. Unless agreed to by the Department in the SOW, the Department will not furnish services of support (e.g., office space, office supplies, telephone service, secretarial, clerical support, etc.) to the Grantee, its subrecipient, contractor, or assignee.
  - 23.5. The Department shall not be responsible for withholding taxes with respect to the Grantee's compensation hereunder. The Grantee shall have no claim against the Department for vacation pay, sick leave, retirement benefits, social security, workers' compensation, health or disability benefits, reemployment assistance benefits, or employee benefits of any kind. The Grantee shall ensure that its employees, subrecipients, contractors, and other agents, receive all legally required benefits and insurance coverage from an employer other than the State.
  - 23.6. At all times during the Agreement period, the Grantee must comply with the reporting and Reemployment Assistance contribution payment requirements of chapter 443, F.S.
- 24. Electronic Funds Transfer: The Grantee agrees to enroll in Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT), offered by the State's Chief Financial Officer within thirty (30) calendar days of the date the last Party signed this Agreement. Copies of the authorization form and a sample blank enrollment letter can be found at: <a href="http://www.myfloridacfo.com/Division/AA/Vendors/">http://www.myfloridacfo.com/Division/AA/Vendors/</a>.

Questions should be directed to the EFT Section at (850) 413-5517. Once enrolled, invoice payments will be made by EFT.

- 25. Entire Agreement: This Agreement consists of all documents listed in the order of precedence below, each of which is incorporated into, and is an integral part of, the Agreement, and together they embody the entire Agreement. This Agreement supersedes all previous oral or written communications, representations, or agreements on this subject. Any conflicts among these documents will be resolved in accordance with the following order of precedence:
  - i. Attachment 1, Specific Grant Awards;
  - ii. Attachment 2, Statement of Work;
  - iii. This Agreement;
  - iv. Attachment 3, Audit Requirements for Awards of State and Federal Financial Assistance (with its Exhibit 1); and
  - v. Addendum A, Public Records Requirements.
  - vi. Attachment 4, Index of Applicable Laws and Regulations.

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**26.** Time is of the Essence: Time is of the essence regarding the performance requirements set forth in this Agreement. The Grantee is obligated to timely complete the deliverables under this Agreement and to comply with all other deadlines necessary to perform the Agreement which include, but are not limited to, attendance of meetings or submittal of reports.

#### 27. Termination:

- 27.1. Termination Due to the Lack of Funds: If funds become unavailable for the Agreement's purpose, such event will not constitute a default by the Department or the State. The Department agrees to notify the Grantee in writing at the earliest possible time if funds are no longer available. If funds become unavailable, including if any State funds upon which this Agreement depends are withdrawn or redirected, the Department may terminate this Agreement by providing written notice to the Grantee. The Department shall be the final authority as to the availability of funds and will not reallocate funds earmarked for this Agreement to another program thus causing "lack of funds."
- 27.2. Termination for Cause: The Department may terminate this Agreement if the Grantee fails to: (1) satisfactorily complete the deliverables within the time specified in the Agreement; (2) maintain adequate progress, thus endangering performance of the Agreement; (3) honor any term of the Agreement; or (4) abide by any statutory, regulatory, or licensing requirement. Rule 60A-1.006(3), F.A.C., governs the procedure and consequences of default. The Grantee shall continue to perform any work not terminated. The Department's rights and remedies in this clause are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law or under the Agreement. The Grantee shall not be entitled to recover any cancellation charges or lost profits. Upon termination, the Department may require that the Grantee return to the Department any funds that were used for ineligible purposes under the Agreement or applicable program laws, rules, and regulations governing the use of funds under the Agreement.
- **27.3. Termination for Convenience:** The Department may terminate this Agreement, in whole or in part, by providing written notice to the Grantee that the Department determined, in its sole discretion, it is in the State's interest to do so. The Grantee shall cease performance upon receipt of the Department's notice of termination, except as necessary to complete the continued portion of the Agreement, if any. The Grantee shall not be entitled to recover any cancellation charges or lost profits.
- 28. Dispute Resolution: Unless otherwise stated in the SOW, the Department shall decide disputes concerning the performance under the Agreement, reduce the decision to writing, and serve a copy on the Grantee. If a Party is dissatisfied with the dispute resolution decision, jurisdiction for any dispute arising under the terms of the Agreement will be in the State courts, and the venue will be in the Second Judicial Circuit, in and for Leon County. Except as otherwise provided by law, the Parties agree to be responsible for their own costs and attorneys' fees incurred in connection with disputes arising under the terms of the Agreement.

# 29. Indemnification:

- 29.1. The Grantee shall be fully liable for the actions of its agents, employees, partners, subrecipients, or contractors and shall fully indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the State and the Department, and their officers, agents, and employees, from suits, actions, damages, and costs of every name and description, arising from or relating to personal injury and damage to real or personal tangible property alleged to be caused in whole or in part by the Grantee, its agents, employees, partners, subrecipients, or contractors, provided, however, that the Grantee shall not indemnify for that portion of any loss or damages proximately caused by the negligent act or omission of the State or the Department.
- **29.2.** Further, the Grantee shall fully indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the State and the Department from any suits, actions, damages, and costs of every name and description, including attorneys'

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fees, arising from or relating to a violation or infringement of a trademark, copyright, patent, trade secret or intellectual property right, provided, however, that the foregoing obligation will not apply to the Department's misuse or modification of the Grantee's products or the Department's operation or use of the Grantee's products in a manner not contemplated by the Agreement. If any product is the subject of an infringement suit, or in the Grantee's opinion is likely to become the subject of such suit, the Grantee may at its sole expense procure for the Department the right to continue using the product or to modify it to become non-infringing. If the Grantee is not reasonably able to modify or otherwise secure for the Department the right to continue using the product, the Grantee shall remove the product and refund the Department the amounts paid in excess of a reasonable rental for past use. The Department shall not be liable for any royalties.

29.3. The Grantee's obligations under the preceding two paragraphs with respect to any legal action are contingent upon the State or the Department giving the Grantee: (1) written notice of any action or threatened action, (2) the opportunity to take over and settle or defend any such action at the Grantee's sole expense, and (3) assistance in defending the action at the Grantee's sole expense. The Grantee shall not be liable for any cost, expense, or compromise incurred or made by the State or the Department in any legal action without the Grantee's prior written consent, which will not be unreasonably withheld.

NOTE: For the avoidance of doubt, if the Grantee is a State agency or subdivision, as defined in section 768.28(2), F.S., pursuant to section 768.28(19), F.S., neither Party indemnifies nor insures or assumes any liability to the other Party for the other Party's negligence.

- 30. Force Majeure and Notice of Delay from Force Majeure: Neither Party shall be liable to the other for any delay or failure to perform under this Agreement if such delay or failure is neither the fault nor caused by the negligence of the Party or its employees or agents and the delay is due directly to acts of God, wars, acts of public enemies, strikes, fires, floods, or other similar cause wholly beyond the Party's control, or for any of the foregoing that affects subrecipients, contractors, or suppliers if no alternate source of supply is available. However, if a delay arises from the foregoing causes, the Party shall take all reasonable measures to mitigate all resulting delay or disruption in accordance with the Party's performance requirements under this Agreement. If the Grantee believes any delay is excusable under this Section, the Grantee shall provide written notice to the Department describing the delay or potential delay and the cause of the delay within five (5) calendar days after the Grantee first had reason to believe that a delay could result if the Grantee could reasonably foresee that a delay could result or within ten (10) calendar days after the Grantee first learned of the delay if the delay is not reasonably foreseeable. Providing notice in strict accordance with this paragraph is a condition precedent to such remedy. The Department, in its sole discretion, will determine if the delay is excusable under this Section and will notify the Grantee of its decision in writing. If an extension is legally permissible, and if one will be granted, the Department's notice will state the extension period. THE FOREGOING CONSTITUTES THE GRANTEE'S SOLE REMEDY OR EXCUSE WITH RESPECT TO DELAY. The Grantee shall not assert a claim for damages against the Department and shall not be entitled to an increase in this Agreement price or payment of any kind from the Department for any reason. If performance is suspended or delayed, in whole or in part, due to any of the causes described in this Section, after the causes have ceased to exist, the Grantee shall resume performance, unless the Department determines, in its sole discretion, that the delay will significantly impair the ability of the Grantee to timely complete its obligations under this Agreement, in which case the Department may terminate the Agreement in whole or in part.
- 31. Severability: If any provision of this Agreement, in whole or in part, is held to be void or unenforceable by a court of competent jurisdiction, that provision shall be enforced only to the extent that it is not in violation of law or is not otherwise unenforceable, and all other provisions remain in full force and effect.

- **32.** Survival: Any right or obligation of the Parties in the Agreement, which, by its express terms or nature and context, is intended to survive termination or expiration of the Agreement, will survive any such termination or expiration.
- 33. Execution in Counterparts: The Agreement may be executed in counterparts, each of which will be deemed an original and all of which will constitute but one and the same instrument.

# 34. Contact Information for Grantee and Department Contacts:

#### **Department's Contract Manager:**

Charles Frank, State Volunteer Fire Coordinator Bureau of Fire Standards and Training Division of State Fire Marshal 11655 NW Gainesville Road Ocala, FL 34482 Telephone number: (352) 369-2800 Firefightergrant@myfloridacfo.com

#### Grantee's Payee:

#### **Grantee's Contract Manager:**

Name:	Name:	
Address:	Address:	
Phone:	Phone:	
Fax:	Fax:	
Fax: Email:	Email:	

If any of the information provided in this Section changes after the execution of this Agreement, the Party making such change will notify the other Parties in writing of such change. Such changes will not require a written amendment to the Agreement.

#### 35. Notices:

The contact information provided in the immediately preceding Section must be used by the Parties for all communications under the Agreement. Where the terms "written notice" or notice "in writing" are used to specify a notice requirement herein, said notice will be deemed to have been given when (i) personally delivered; (ii) transmitted via facsimile with confirmation of receipt or email with confirmation of receipt if the sender on the same day sends a confirming copy of such notice by a recognized overnight delivery service (charges prepaid); (iii) the day following the day (except if not a Business Day then the next Business Day) on which the same has been delivered prepaid to a recognized overnight delivery service; or (iv) on the date actually received, except if there is a date of the certification of receipt, then on that date.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, and in consideration of the mutual covenants set forth above, and in the attachments, addenda, and exhibits hereto, the Parties have caused to be executed this Agreement by their undersigned duly authorized officials.

Grantee: City of Williston	Department of Financial Services:	
By:	Ву:	
Name:	Name:	
Title:	Title:	
Date:	Date:	

# **Attachment 1, Specific Grant Awards**

The Department has established a funding award for Grantee in an amount not to exceed \$47,500.00 for the grant period during the 2023-2024 State fiscal year.

Per the Grant Award Letter, Grantee is authorized to expend grant funds for the following: To purchase five (5) Self-contained Breathing Apparatus.

Grantee shall submit all supporting documentation to the Department in accordance with the requirements of Attachment 2, Section B.3., Deliverables, of this Agreement.

#### Attachment 2, Statement of Work

# A. PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

The Florida Legislature created the Firefighter Assistance Grant Program within the Division of State Fire Marshal to improve the emergency response capability of volunteer fire departments and combination fire departments by providing financial assistance to improve firefighter safety and enable such fire departments to provide firefighting, emergency medical, and rescue services to their communities. The Division is to administer the program and annually award grants to volunteer fire departments and combination fire departments using the annual Florida Fire Service Needs Assessment Survey. The purpose of the grants is to provide funding to such fire departments to use to provide volunteer firefighter training and procure necessary firefighter equipment. The Division shall prioritize the annual award of grants to combination fire departments and volunteer fire departments demonstrating need as a result of participating in the annual Florida Fire Service Needs Assessment Survey.

The Grantee shall only use funds for those items specified in Attachment 1, Specific Grant Awards (Attachment 1). Such items must comply with the requirements of section 633.135, F.S., and Rules 69A-37.501 and .502, F.A.C.

The following definitions apply to the Agreement and its attachments:

- a) "Combination fire department" means a fire service provider utilizing a combination of volunteer and career firefighters to provide fire extinguishment or fire prevention services for the protection of life and property.
- b) "Volunteer fire department" means a fire service provider utilizing only volunteer firefighters to provide fire extinguishment or fire prevention services for the protection of life and property.
- c) "Fire service provider" means a municipality or county, the state, the Division, or any political subdivision of the state, including authorities and special districts, that employs firefighters or uses volunteer firefighters to provide fire extinguishment or fire prevention services for the protection of life and property. The term includes any organization under contract or other agreement with such entity to provide such services.
- d) "NFPA" means the National Fire Protection Association.

#### B. SCOPE OF WORK

# 1. The Grantee's Responsibilities:

- a. The Grantee shall perform the following tasks:
  - 1) Provide to the Department within thirty (30) calendar days of grant award notification an itemized list of firefighter equipment to be purchased under this Agreement. This itemized list must include an expected cost per item.
  - 2) Provide to the Department an itemized list of training conducted within thirty (30) calendar days after completion of the training. The list must provide the names of the students trained, dates the training was conducted, the instructor's name and certification number, the location of the final practical skills training, and the location of live fire training. Funds to be used to procure the training must be obligated by the ending date of this Agreement.
  - 3) Provide to the Department all documentation supporting the purchase, delivery, and receipt of firefighter equipment identified as part of the grant award within thirty (30) calendar days of receiving such equipment.
  - 4) Provide to the Department all documentation supporting the purchase and receipt of training identified as part of the grant award within thirty (30) calendar days of receiving a Volunteer Firefighter Certificate of Completion.

- 5) Within thirty (30) calendar days after submission of final invoices, the Grantee shall return any unspent funds to the Department.
- b. Performance Requirements for Deliverables:
  - 1) Maintain all fire department profile and roster records within the electronic online database of the Bureau of Fire Standards and Training.
  - 2) Submit all incident reports to the Florida Fire Incident Reporting System (FFIRS) for 12 months following the effective date of this Agreement.
  - 3) Demonstrate compliance with the Florida Firefighter Occupational Safety and Health Act by having completed a compliance inspection within the previous three years or having a compliance inspection conducted before the grant funds are awarded.
  - 4) Maintain a written Agreement with the fire service provider under which the fire department is operating.

# 2. The Department's Responsibilities:

- a. Provide the online Firefighter 1 training program, delivered by the Bureau of Fire Standards and Training, needed to achieve Volunteer Firefighter Certificate of Completion.
- b. Provide reimbursement of pre-approved instructional costs incurred by the Grantee to complete practical skill training.
- c. Conduct all verification activities associated with the Grantee's payment for, and receipt of, firefighter equipment and training identified as part of the grant award.
- d. Verify and collect any unspent funds from Grantee that were not expended in accordance with the grant award and the requirements herein.

#### 3. Deliverables:

The Grantee shall perform the following tasks as specified:

Table 1 Deliverables			
Deliverable 1 - Authorized Training			
Tasks	Performance Measures and Due Date	Financial Consequences	
As described in Attachment 1.	Proof of payment to the vendor (e.g., copies of canceled checks) for the pre-approved instructor cost must be submitted with the Grantee's request for reimbursement (if funds are advanced to the Grantee, proof of payment documentation must be submitted within thirty (30) days of the date the Department provided funding to the Grantee).	Funds expended for training will be reimbursed on a per item basis only if the receipts and other documentation submitted validate compliance with all stated terms and conditions for the training.	
Maintain a written agreement between the fire service provider and the fire department during the grant period.	Submit to the Department a copy of the agreement with the fire service provider within thirty (30) calendar days after the effective date of this Agreement.	Funds expended for training will be reimbursed on a per item basis only if the receipts and other documentation submitted validate compliance with all	

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Tasks	Performance Measures and	Financial		
	Due Date	Consequences		
As described in Attachment 1	Within thirty (30) calendar days	Funds expended for		
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	Agreement, submit to the	reimbursed on a per		
	Department a copy of vendor	item basis only if the		
	quotes containing an itemized	receipts and other documentation		
	list of firefighter equipment to be purchased, the cost per item, and	submitted validate		
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	reimbursement (if funds are			
	advanced to the Grantee, proof			
	of payment documentation must			
	be submitted within thirty (30)			
	days of the date the Department			
	provided funding to the			
	Grantee).			
	Within thirty (20) calendar days			
	Within thirty (30) calendar days of receiving firefighter			
	equipment, submit to the			
	Department copies of signed and			
	dated shipping/packaging			
	documents clearly demonstrating			
	the equipment has been received.			
Maintain a written agreement between	Submit to Department a copy of	Funds expended for		
the fire service provider and the fire	the agreement with the fire	equipment will be		
department during the grant period.	service provider within thirty	reimbursed on a per		
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		stated terms and		
		conditions for the		
		equipment.		
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Deliverable 2 payment amount must not exceed amount stated in Attachment 1.				
TOTAL PAYMENT AMOUNT (must not exceed total grant award stated in Attachment 1)				

#### 4. Expenditure and Reconciliation Report:

Pursuant to section 215.971, F.S., the Department's Contract Manager must produce a final reconciliation report reconciling all funds paid out to the Grantee under this Agreement against all funds expended by the Grantee in performance of this Agreement. If the Department's Contract Manager requests documentation from the Grantee's Contract Manager for these purposes, the Grantee must submit such documentation to the Department within ten (10) business days of receipt of the Department's request. See Section C.2. below for further detail regarding the reporting of expenditures.

#### C. SPECIAL PROVISIONS

# 1. Demonstration of Performance and Acceptance of Deliverables:

The deliverables requiring payment will be accepted by the Department's Contract Manager only after the Grantee has provided proof of payment and receipt of the authorized items; deliverables not requiring payment must be evidenced by submittal of the documentation as stated herein. If the Department rejects a deliverable, all costs associated with correction of that deliverable shall be at the Grantee's expense. The Grantee shall work diligently to timely correct all deficiencies noted by the Department. Final acceptance of the deliverable shall be considered to occur when the deliverable has been approved by the Department. The Agreement will be considered complete upon acceptance by the Department of all deliverables required under the Agreement. The Department may independently verify the receipt by Grantee of deliverables beyond the methods described in this Section. The Grantee must provide proof of payment and receipt of the authorized items to be entitled to retain funds provided under the Agreement.

2. Payment Amount, Invoice Submittal, and Payment Schedule: The payment obligation of the Department shall not exceed the amount stated in Attachment 1. The deliverable amount specified in Attachment 1 establishes the maximum reimbursable amount for the authorized item and not the value of the item. The Grantee's entitlement to retain funds is dependent upon the following: the Grantee timely submitted an accurate and acceptable invoice and any other necessary supporting documentation as described in Section B.3., Deliverables; the funds were fully obligated by the Grantee as of June 30th of the State's fiscal year in which the grant was awarded and were disbursed by the Department on or before September 30th of the same calendar year; and, in accordance with the Agreement Section 8, entitled "Funding Requirements of Section 215.971, F.S.," the amount of allowable costs incurred and expended by Grantee in performance of the requirements of this Agreement.

In addition to the documents identified in Section B.3., Deliverables, the Department may require any additional information from the Grantee that the Department deems necessary to verify that the Grantee has fulfilled the requirements of the Agreement.

If the Agreement is terminated early, the Department shall only pay for completed and accepted deliverables.

- 3. Travel and Expenses: Per diem and travel expenses are not authorized and will not be reimbursed under this Agreement.
- 4. Financial Consequences for Failure to Timely and Satisfactorily Perform: Failure to comply with the requirements of Section B.3., Deliverables, will result in automatic task rejection and the deliverable shall not be invoiced or paid until correction of the task. Failure to complete the required duties as outlined in the SOW shall result in the rejection of the invoices. Failure to complete all deliverables in accordance with the requirements of the Agreement, and in

particular, as specified above in Section B.3., Deliverables, will result in assessment by the Department of the specified financial consequences. This provision for financial consequences shall in no manner affect the Department's right to terminate the Agreement as provided elsewhere in the Agreement.

- 5. Notification of Instances of Fraud: Instances of Grantee operational fraud or criminal activities shall be reported to the Department's Contract Manager within twenty-four (24) hours of being made aware of the incident.
- **6. Grantee's Responsibilities upon Termination:** If the Department issues a Notice of Termination to Grantee, except as otherwise specified by the Department in that notice, the Grantee shall:
  - a. Stop work under the Agreement on the date and to the extent specified in the notice.
  - b. Complete performance of such part of the work as shall not have been terminated by the Department.
  - c. Take such action as may be necessary, or as the Department may specify, to protect and preserve any property which is in the possession of Grantee and in which the Department has or may acquire an interest.
  - d. Upon the effective date of termination of the Agreement, Grantee shall transfer, assign, and make available to the Department all property and materials belonging to the Department. No extra compensation will be paid to Grantee for its services in connection with such transfer or assignment.
- 7. Nondiscrimination: The Grantee shall not unlawfully discriminate against any individual employed in the performance of this Agreement due to race, religion, color, sex, physical handicap unrelated to such person's ability to engage in this work, national origin, ancestry, or age. The Grantee shall provide a harassment-free workplace, and any allegation of harassment shall be given priority attention and action.
- 8. Insurance Coverage: In addition to the insurance coverage requirements of Sections 20 and 23 of this Agreement, if the Grantee is authorized to purchase pumper fire apparatus under this Agreement, the Grantee shall obtain and maintain insurance coverage sufficient to satisfy the minimum legal requirements for operation of the apparatus and to provide, at a minimum, replacement cost value coverage for the apparatus while the apparatus is licensed or for the five-year period following termination of this Agreement, whichever timeframe ends first.

#### 9. Limitation of Liability:

- a. For all claims against Grantee under the Agreement, and regardless of the basis on which the claim is made, Grantee's liability under this Agreement for direct damages shall be limited to the dollar amount of this Agreement. This limitation shall not apply to claims arising under the Indemnity paragraphs contained in the Agreement.
- b. Neither Party shall be liable to the other for special, indirect, punitive, or consequential damages, including lost data or records, even if the Party has been advised that such damages are possible. Neither Party shall be liable for lost profits, lost revenue, or lost institutional operating savings. The State and the Department may, in addition to other remedies available to them at law or in equity and upon notice to Grantee, retain such monies from amounts due Grantee as may be necessary to satisfy any claim for damages, penalties, costs and the like asserted by or against them.

- End of Attachment 2, Statement of Work -

**ATTACHMENT 3** 

# Department of Financial Services



Division of Accounting and Auditing – Bureau of Auditing

# AUDIT REQUIREMENTS FOR AWARDS OF STATE AND FEDERAL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

The administration of resources awarded by the Department of Financial Services (Department) to the Grantee may be subject to audits and/or monitoring by the Department, as described in this section.

#### **MONITORING**

In addition to reviews of audits conducted in accordance with 2 CFR 200, Subpart F - Audit Requirements, and section 215.97, Florida Statutes (F.S.), as revised (see AUDITS below), monitoring procedures may include, but not be limited to, on-site visits by Department staff, limited scope audits as defined by 2 CFR §200.425, or other procedures. By entering into this agreement, the Grantee agrees to comply and cooperate with any monitoring procedures or processes deemed appropriate by the Department. In the event the Department determines that a limited scope audit of the Grantee is appropriate, the Grantee agrees to comply with any additional instructions provided by Department staff to the Grantee regarding such audit. The Grantee further agrees to comply and cooperate with any inspections, reviews, investigations, or audits deemed necessary by the Chief Financial Officer (CFO) or Auditor General.

#### **AUDITS**

# Part I: Federally Funded

This part is applicable if the Grantee is a state or local government or a nonprofit organization as defined in 2 CFR §200.90, §200.64, and §200.70.

- 1. A grantee that expends \$750,000 or more in federal awards in its fiscal year must have a single or program-specific audit conducted in accordance with the provisions of 2 CFR 200, Subpart F Audit Requirements. EXHIBIT 1 to this form lists the federal resources awarded through the Department by this agreement. In determining the federal awards expended in its fiscal year, the Grantee shall consider all sources of federal awards, including federal resources received from the Department. The determination of amounts of federal awards expended should be in accordance with the guidelines established in 2 CFR §200.502-503. An audit of the Grantee conducted by the Auditor General in accordance with the provisions of 2 CFR §200.514 will meet the requirements of this Part.
- 2. For the audit requirements addressed in Part I, paragraph 1, the Grantee shall fulfill the requirements relative to auditee responsibilities as provided in 2 CFR §§200.508-512.
- 3. A grantee that expends less than \$750,000 in federal awards in its fiscal year is not required to have an audit conducted in accordance with the provisions of 2 CFR 200, Subpart F Audit Requirements. If the Grantee expends less than \$750,000 in federal awards in its fiscal year and elects to have an audit conducted in accordance with the provisions of 2 CFR 200, Subpart F Audit Requirements, the cost of the audit must be paid from non-federal resources (i.e., the cost of such an audit must be paid from Grantee resources obtained from other than federal entities).

#### Part II: State Funded

1. In the event that the Grantee expends a total amount of state financial assistance equal to or in excess of \$750,000 in any fiscal year of such Grantee (for fiscal years ending June 30, 2017, or thereafter), the Grantee must have a state single or project-specific audit for such fiscal year in accordance with section 215.97, F.S.; applicable rules of the Department of Financial Services; and Chapters 10.550 (local governmental entities) and 10.650 (nonprofit and for-profit organizations), Rules of the Auditor General. EXHIBIT 1 to this form lists the state financial assistance awarded through the

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# AUDIT REQUIREMENTS FOR AWARDS OF STATE AND FEDERAL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

Department by this agreement. In determining the state financial assistance expended in its fiscal year, the Grantee shall consider all sources of state financial assistance, including state financial assistance received from the Department, other state agencies, and other nonstate entities. State financial assistance does not include federal direct or pass-through awards and resources received by a nonstate entity for federal program matching requirements.

- 2. For the audit requirements addressed in Part II, paragraph 1, the Grantee shall ensure that the audit complies with the requirements of section 215.97(8), F.S. This includes submission of a financial reporting package as defined by section 215.97(2), F.S., and Chapters 10.550 (local governmental entities) and 10.650 (nonprofit and for-profit organizations), Rules of the Auditor General.
- 3. If the Grantee expends less than \$750,000 in state financial assistance in its fiscal year (for fiscal years ending June 30, 2017, or thereafter), an audit conducted in accordance with the provisions of section 215.97, F.S., is not required. If the Grantee expends less than \$750,000 in state financial assistance in its fiscal year and elects to have an audit conducted in accordance with the provisions of section 215.97, F.S., the cost of the audit must be paid from the nonstate entity's resources (i.e., the cost of such an audit must be paid from the Grantee's resources obtained from other than state entities).

# Part III: Other Audit Requirements

N/A

# Part IV: Report Submission

1. Copies of reporting packages for audits conducted in accordance with 2 CFR 200, Subpart F - Audit Requirements, and required by Part I of this form shall be submitted, when required by 2 CFR §200.512, by or on behalf of the Grantee directly to the Federal Audit Clearinghouse (FAC) as provided in 2 CFR §200.36 and §200.512.

The FAC's website provides a data entry system and required forms for submitting the single audit reporting package. Updates to the location of the FAC and data entry system may be found at the OMB website.

- 2. Copies of financial reporting packages required by Part II of this form shall be submitted by or on behalf of the Grantee directly to each of the following:
  - a. The Department at each of the following addresses:

Electronic copies (preferred): firefightergrant@myfloridacfo.com

or

Paper (hard copy): Charles Frank Bureau of Fire Standards and Training Department of Financial Services 11655 NW Gainesville Road Ocala, Florida 34482

**b.** The Auditor General's Office at the following address:

Auditor General Local Government Audits/342 Claude Pepper Building, Room 401 111 West Madison Street

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Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1450

The Auditor General's website (<a href="https://flauditor.gov/">https://flauditor.gov/</a>) provides instructions for filing an electronic copy of a financial reporting package.

- 3. Any reports, management letters, or other information required to be submitted to the Department pursuant to this agreement shall be submitted timely in accordance with 2 CFR §200.512, section 215.97, F.S., and Chapters 10.550 (local governmental entities) and 10.650 (nonprofit and for-profit organizations), Rules of the Auditor General, as applicable.
- 4. Grantees, when submitting financial reporting packages to the Department for audits done in accordance with 2 CFR 200, Subpart F Audit Requirements, or Chapters 10.550 (local governmental entities) and 10.650 (nonprofit and for-profit organizations), Rules of the Auditor General, should indicate the date that the reporting package was delivered to the Grantee in correspondence accompanying the reporting package.

#### Part V: Record Retention

The Grantee shall retain sufficient records demonstrating its compliance with the terms of the award(s) and this agreement for a period of five (5) years from the date the audit report is issued, and shall allow the Department, or its designee, the CFO, or Auditor General access to such records upon request. The Grantee shall ensure that audit working papers are made available to the Department, or its designee, the CFO, or Auditor General upon request for a period of five (5) years from the date the audit report is issued, unless extended in writing by the Department.

# AUDIT REQUIREMENTS FOR AWARDS OF STATE AND FEDERAL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

#### **EXHIBIT 1**

# Federal Resources Awarded to the Grantee Pursuant to this Agreement Consist of the Following:

1. Federal Program A:

N/A

2. Federal Program B:

N/A

# Compliance Requirements Applicable to the Federal Resources Awarded Pursuant to this Agreement are as Follows:

1. Federal Program A:

N/A

2. Federal Program B:

N/A

# State Resources Awarded to the Grantee Pursuant to this Agreement Consist of the Following:

# **Matching Resources for Federal Programs:**

1. Federal Program A:

N/A

2. Federal Program B:

N/A

#### Subject to Section 215.97, F.S.:

1. State Project A:

State Project: Volunteer Firefighter Grant Assistance Program

State Awarding Agency: State of Florida, Department of Financial Services

Catalog of State Financial Assistance Title and Number: Volunteer Firefighter Grant Assistance

Program, 43.006 Amount: 1,000,000.00

Not to exceed \$1,000,000.00 for all grants awarded under the Firefighter Assistance Grant Program

for State Fiscal Year 2023-2024.

2. State Project B:

N/A

# Compliance Requirements Applicable to State Resources Awarded Pursuant to this Agreement Are as Follows:

The requirements of this Agreement, section 633.135, F.S., and Rule 69A-37.502, F.A.C.

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# Attachment 4 Index of Applicable Laws and Regulations

#### 1. Statutory Requirements:

Chapter 112, F.S. (conflict of interest)

Chapter 119, F.S. (public records and exceptions to disclosure)

Sections 11.062 and 216.347, F.S. (prohibitions on the use of state funds for lobbying purposes)

Section 216.1366, F.S. (inspection of records)

Section 286.101, F.S. (foreign gifts and contracts)

Section 286.25, F.S. (sponsorship)

Section 287.133, F.S. (convicted vendor list)

Section 287.134, F.S. (discriminatory vendor list)

Section 287.137, F.S. (antitrust violator vendor list)

Americans with Disabilities Act

Immigration and Nationality Act

# 2. Audit Requirements:

Section 20.055, F.S. (audit investigations)

Section 215.34, F.S. (return or recoupment of funds)

Section 215.97, F.S., Florida Single Audit Act

Section 215.971, F.S., Agreements Funded with Federal or State Assistance

# 3. Financial Requirements:

Section 215.422, F.S. (payments from state funds)

Section 273.02, F.S. (nonexpendable tangible personal property)

Section 287.0585, F.S. (payments to subcontractors)

Rule 60A-1.031, F.A.C. (MyFloridaMarketPlace)

Chief Financial Officer Memoranda Nos. 1, 2, and 4 (effective July 1, 2020)

# DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL SERVICES Public Records Requirements

#### Addendum A

#### 1. Public Records Access Requirements.

- a. If the Contractor is acting on behalf of the Department in its performance of services under the Contract, the Contractor must allow public access to all documents, papers, letters, or other material, regardless of the physical form, characteristics, or means of transmission, made or received by the Contractor in conjunction with the Contract (Public Records), unless the Public Records are exempt from public access pursuant to section 24(a) of Article I of the Florida Constitution or section 119.07(1), F.S.
- b. The Department may unilaterally terminate the Contract if the Contractor refuses to allow public access to Public Records as required by law.

# 2. Public Records Requirements Applicable to All Contractors.

- a. For purposes of the Contract, the Contractor is responsible for becoming familiar with Florida's Public Records law, consisting of chapter 119, F.S., section 24(a) of Article I of the Florida Constitution, or other applicable state or federal law (Public Records Law).
- b. All requests to inspect or copy Public Records relating to the Contract must be made directly to the Department. Notwithstanding any provisions to the contrary, disclosure of any records made or received by the State in conjunction with the Contract is governed by Public Records Law.
- c. If the Contractor has a reasonable, legal basis to assert that any portion of any records submitted to the Department is confidential, proprietary, trade secret, or otherwise not subject to disclosure ("Confidential" or "Trade Secret") under Public Records Law or other legal authority, the Contractor must simultaneously provide the Department with a separate redacted copy of the records the Contractor claims as Confidential or Trade Secret and briefly describe in writing the grounds for claiming exemption from the Public Records Law, including the specific statutory citation for such exemption. The un-redacted copy of the records must contain the Contract name and number and must be clearly labeled "Confidential" or "Trade Secret." The redacted copy of the records should only redact those portions of the records that the Contractor claims are Confidential or Trade Secret. If the Contractor fails to submit a redacted copy of records it claims are Confidential or Trade Secret, such action may constitute a waiver of any claim of confidentiality.
- d. If the Department receives a Public Records request, and if records that have been marked as "Confidential" or "Trade Secret" are responsive to such request, the Department will provide the Contractor-redacted copies to the requester. If a requester asserts a right to the portions of records claimed as Confidential or Trade Secret, the Department will notify the Contractor that such an assertion has been made. It is the Contractor's responsibility to assert that the portions of records in question are exempt from disclosure under Public Records Law or other legal authority. If the Department becomes subject to a demand for discovery or disclosure of the portions of records the Contractor claims as Confidential or Trade Secret in a legal proceeding, the Department will give the Contractor prompt notice of the demand, when possible, prior to releasing the portions of records the Contractor claims as Confidential or Trade Secret (unless disclosure is otherwise prohibited by applicable law). The Contractor shall be responsible for defending its determination that the redacted portions of its records are Confidential or Trade Secret. No right or remedy for damages against the Department arises from any disclosure made by the Department based on the Contractor's failure to promptly legally protect its claim of exemption and commence such protective actions within ten days of receipt of such notice from the Department.
- e. If the Contractor claims that the records are "Trade Secret" pursuant to section 624.4213, F.S., and all the requirements of section 624.4213(1), F.S., are met, the Department will respond to the Public Records Request in accordance with the provisions specified in that statute.
- f. The Contractor shall ensure that exempt or confidential and exempt Public Records are not disclosed except as permitted by the Contract or by Public Records Law.

Addendum A

- 3. Additional Public Records Duties of Section 119.0701, F.S., If Applicable.
  - If the Contractor is a "contractor" as defined in section 119.0701(1)(a), F.S., the Contractor shall:
- a. Keep and maintain Public Records required by the Department to perform the service.
- b. Upon request, provide the Department with a copy of requested Public Records or allow the Public Records to be inspected or copied within a reasonable time at a cost that does not exceed the cost provided in chapter 119, F.S., or as otherwise provided by law.
- c. Ensure that Public Records that are exempt or confidential and exempt from Public Records disclosure requirements are not disclosed except as authorized by law for the duration of the Contract term and following completion of the Contract if the Contractor does not transfer the Public Records to the Department.
- d. Upon completion of the Contract, transfer, at no cost, to the Department all Public Records in possession of the Contractor or keep and maintain Public Records required by the Department to perform the service. If the Contractor transfers all Public Records to the Department upon completion of the Contract, the Contractor shall destroy any duplicate Public Records that are exempt or confidential and exempt from Public Records disclosure requirements. If the Contractor keeps and maintains Public Records upon completion of the Contract, the Contractor shall meet all applicable requirements for retaining Public Records. All Public Records stored electronically must be provided to the Department, upon request from the Department's custodian of Public Records, in a format specified by the Department as compatible with the information technology systems of the Department. These formatting requirements are satisfied by using the data formats as authorized in the Contract or Microsoft Word, Outlook, Adobe, or Excel, and any software formats the Contractor is authorized to access.
- e. IF THE CONTRACTOR HAS QUESTIONS REGARDING THE APPLICATION OF CHAPTER 119, F.S., TO THE CONTRACTOR'S DUTY TO PROVIDE PUBLIC RECORDS RELATING TO THE CONTRACT, CONTACT PUBLIC RECORDS AT:

Telephone: (850) 413-3149

Email: PublicRecordsRequest@myfloridacfo.com

Mailing Address: The Department of Financial Services

Office of Open Government

PL-11, The Capitol

Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0301

A Contractor who fails to provide the Public Records to the Department within a reasonable time may be subject to penalties under section 119.10, F.S.

#### COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM

TOPIC: RESOLUTION 2024-26: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WILLISTON, FLORIDA; REAPPOINTING MR. MATTHEW BELLEFLEUR FOR A THREE-YEAR TERM BEGINNING FEBRUARY 1, 2024 AND ENDING FEBRUARY 1, 2027; AND REAPPOINTING MR. RICHARD MERANDO FOR A THREE-YEAR TERM BEGINNING MARCH 1, 2024 AND ENDING MARCH 1, 2027, TO THE PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

REQUESTED and PREPARED BY: LAURA JONES, CITY PLANNER

**BACKGROUND / DESCRIPTION:** This resolution would reappoint; Mr. Bellefleur for three years to his current seat 4, beginning February 1, 2024, and ending February 1, 2027; and reappoint Mr. Richard Merando for three years to his current seat 6, beginning March 1, 2024 and ending March 1, 2027.

Chapter 46 of the City's Code of Ordinances mandates the appointment of these members to the Agency Board (Appointment. The planning and zoning commission shall consist of seven residents of the city who shall be appointed by the city council).

FISCAL IMPACTS: None
RECOMMENDED ACTION: Adopt resolution 2024-26
ATTACHMENTS:
COMMISSION ACTION:
APPROVED
DISAPPROVED

**LEGAL REVIEW:** None

### **RESOLUTION NUMBER 2024-26**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WILLISTON, FLORIDA; REAPPOINTING MR. MATHEW BELLEFLEUR FOR A THREE-YEAR TERM BEGINNING FEBRUARY 1, 2024 AND ENDING FEBRUARY 1, 2027; AND REAPPOINTING MR. RICHARD MERANDO FOR A THREE-YEAR TERM BEGINNING MARCH 1, 2024 AND ENDING MARCH 1, 2027, TO THE PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, Mr. Bellefleur and Mr. Merando served on the Planning and Zoning Commission prior and expressed their desire to continue to serve the Community; and,

## NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WILLISTON, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:

<u>Section 1</u>. The above recitals are true and accurate and are made a part of this resolution.

Section 2. The City Council hereby approves Resolution 2024-26.

<u>Section 3.</u> All Resolution or parts of Resolutions, in conflict with this Resolution are hereby repealed.

<u>Section 4.</u> This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon adoption.

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**PASSED AND ADOPTED** at a meeting of the City Council this 20th day of February 2024.

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	CITY OF WILLISTON, FLORIDA
	Debra Jones-President Williston City Council
ATTEST: Latricia Wright City Clerk	
APPROVED AS TO FORM AN	D LEGALITY:

Scott Walker or Kiersten Ballou

City Attorney

Date: 02/20/2024

### **COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM**

TOPIC: RESOLUTION 2024-27: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WILLISTON, FLORIDA AUTHORIZING THE SALARY ADJUSTMENT OF THE CITY MANAGER.

REQUESTED BY: COUNCIL PRESIDENT DEBRA JONES PREPARED BY: HR DIRECTOR BROOKE WILLIS

BACKGROUND / DESCRIPTION: ADJUSTING THE CITY MANAGER SALARY FROM \$80,129.00 TO \$88,400.00 PER HIS PERFORMANCE EVALUATION.

LEGAL REVIEW: N/A

FISCAL IMPACTS: SALARY INCREASE OF \$8,271.00.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approve

ATTACHMENTS: YES, SIGNED PERFORMANCE EVALUATION.

COMMISSION ACTION:
\_\_\_\_\_APPROVED
\_\_\_\_DISAPPROVED

### CITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION NO. 2024-27

## A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WILLISTON, FLORIDA AUTHORIZING THE SALARY ADJUSTMENT OF THE CITY MANAGER.

**WHEREAS**, the City Manager of Williston, Florida (hereinafter "City") is a designated Charter Officer as established in Part 1, Article III. – Charter Officers of the City of Williston Code of Ordinances; and

**WHEREAS** the City Manager serves at the pleasure of the City of Williston City Council; and

**WHEREAS**, on February 6, 2024, voted to adjust the salary of the City Manager to reflect an increase of \$8271.00 to his current salary of, \$80,129.00 per annum, bringing his new salary to, \$88,400.00, per annum, to be retroactive back to his anniversary date of December 6, 2023, and

**WHEREAS** this resolution shall serve as the proper document to memorialize the salary adjustment.

## NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WILLISTON, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:

**Section 1**. The above recitals are all true and accurate and are made a part of this resolution.

**Section 2**. The salary of the City Manager shall be adjusted, effective Monday, December 11, 2023\_(first payroll start date after anniversary date), to \$88,400.00 per annum.

**Section 3**. The President and City Clerk are authorized to execute the necessary documentation to accomplish the salary adjustment provided herein.

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**PASSED AND ADOPTED** at a meeting of the City Council this 20<sup>th</sup> day of February 2024.

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# City of Williston Performance Evaluation City Manager

### **PURPOSE**

The purpose of the City Manager performance evaluation and development report is to increase communication between the City Council and the City Manager concerning the performance of the City Manager in the accomplishment of his/her assigned duties and responsibilities, and the establishment of specific work-related goals and objectives.

### **PROCESS**

The City Council shall conduct an annual review and evaluation of the City Manager's work performance and achievements. The results of such an evaluation shall commend areas of good performance, recognize successful achievements, and point out any areas for improvement.

- 1. Evaluation forms are distributed to all Council Members.
- 2. The City Manager prepares a memorandum to the Council including his/her self-evaluation in a narrative format to include a list of accomplished projects, pending projects, and goals.
- 3. Each Council Member will review the self-evaluation and complete the evaluation form, sign, date, and return it to the Human Resources Director.
- 4. The Human Resources Director tabulates the results of the evaluation forms and will summarize the results of the evaluation forms as submitted.
- 5. A composite evaluation form and the City Manager's self-evaluation is distributed to the Council prior to the Council's evaluation meeting.
- 6. The Council meets with the City Manager in open session to review the evaluation.

### **INSTRUCTIONS**

Review the City Manager's work performance for the entire period. Refrain from any possible bias; centralize on assessing performance alone. Evaluate the City Manager based on quality and excellence to which assigned considering the length of time in the job. Check the number which most accurately reflects the level of performance for the factor appraised using the rating scale described below. If you did not have an opportunity to observe a factor during this evaluation period, please indicate so in the "N/O" column next to the factor.

City Manager's Name: Terry Bovaird	Tabulated Evaluation Form Completed by
Name of Council Member Completing the Form	Krystal Patterson, Human Resources Directo

### **Performance Evaluation**

Date: 01/26/2024

Rating Scale Definitions (1-5) The City Manager's work performance is inadequate and inferior to the quality of Unsatisfactory (1) performance required for the job. Performance at this level is not recommended for continuance. Please add an expository comment. Improvement needed (2) The City Manager's work performance does not consistently meet the quality of excellence required for the position. Serious effort is needed to improve performance. Recommend Performance Improvement Plan. Please add an expository comment. Meets Job Standard (3) The City Manager's work performance consistently meets the performance expectations of the job. Exceeds Job Standard (4) The City Manager's work performance is consistently above the level of expectations when compared to the quality and excellence expected of the job. Outstanding (5) The City Manager's work performance is consistently outstanding when compared to the quality and excellence expected of the job. I. PERFORMANCE EVALUATION AND ACHIEVEMENTS 1. City Council Relationships 1 2 3 N/O Ш **A.** Effectively implements improvements and programs approved by the City Council. Ш **B.** Reporting to the City Council is timely, clear, concise and thorough. IIII C. Accepts direction/instructions in a positive manner. Ш **D.** Effectively aids the City Council in establishing long range goals. IIII E. Keeps the City Council informed of current plan and activities of administration and new developments in technology, legislation, governmental practices and regulations, etc. Ш F. Provide the City Council with clear report of anticipated issues that could come before the City Council. Average Score: 4.77 Comments: Positive, informative communications. Have assisted in maintaining excellent relationships with council members. Terry always comes to the council meetings well prepared; ready to answer any questions. During his interim and current state of City Manager, Terry has more than demonstrated his ability to work with and for the city council. He hs taken directions from the city

council and has done a remarkable job under the circumstances.

2. Public Relations	1	2	3	4	5	N/O	
A. Projects a positive public image.	: <del></del>	E 17 <u></u>		1		-	
B. Is always courteous to the public.	:	-	- >	· ·		÷	
C. Maintains effective relations with media representatives.	;	£ 12					
			Average	e Score	: 4.86		
Comments:  Proud to call Mr. Bovaird our City Manager. He projects positive, courteous							
Terry represents the City of Williston in a positive manner with an open doo	or policy for	all. With	his past e	experienc	e he deal	s with the public	
and other representatives in an outstanding manor.							
3. Effective Leadership of Staff	1	2	3	4	5	N/O	
<ul><li>A. Delegates appropriate responsibilities.</li><li>B. Offer training and support to leadership staff.</li></ul>	<u> </u>	-		, <u>L</u>	1111	-	
Excellent at delegating and equiping his staff for the job and need to do and Terry seems to have a good rapport with the staff; has regular staff meeting on the responsibilities to delagate when appropriate and offers his expertise	gs; he provi	des posit					
4. Fiscal Management	1	2	3	4	5	N/O	
A. Prepares a realistic annual budget.	-			1	1111		
<b>B.</b> Controls expenditures in accordance with approved budget.	_			1			
C. Keeps City Council informed about revenues and expenditures, actual and projected.	-	-	-	<u> </u>	<u>    </u>	-	
D. Ensures that the budget addresses the City		-	d <del>2</del>			ē <del>2</del>	
Council's goals and objectives, including readability.		Average Score: 4.80					
<b>Comments:</b> I appreciate the way he watches the budget and always has a backup plan	if needed F	das brow	aht us thi	uah neer	ded rate in	creases hv	
helping us (the council and the public) understand the necessity to movie for				agii neet	aca rate II	orougos by	
Terry does an good job managing the pennies for our city. He has worked h				et proces	ss and do	ne exceptional	
job.			/= /= /=			acondensi (m	

5. Communication	1	2	3	4	5	N/O
A. Oral communication is clear, concise, and effective.	_					
B. Written communications are clear, concise, and effect	tive.			1	Ш	
	-		Avera	ge Score	e: 4.80	
Comments: Wonderful narrative self evaluation with "State of the City" Terrific wri	tten and	l commu				n skills.
All communications from Terry, whether oral or written effectively com	nmunica	te/articul	ate. He	is very c	lear on co	ncise in a
communications presenting his effectiveness in every way.						
6. Professional Traits	1	2	3	4	5	N/O
A. Initiative.		_	_	-		-
B. Judgement.	-			<u>_</u>		-
C. Fairness and Impartiality.		-		<u> </u>		
<b>D.</b> Creativity. Average Score: 4.85				I	Ш	
7. Intergovernmental Affairs	1	2	3	4	5	N/O
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A. Maintains effective communication with local, regional, state, and federal government agencies.	-	-	<u></u>			-
<b>B.</b> Financial resources (grants) from other agencies are pursued.	-		===	1	<u> </u>	( <del>)                                    </del>
C. Contributions to good government through regular participation in local, regional, and state committees and organizations.	<del>3</del>	-		1	1111	-
D. Lobbies effectively with legislators and state				1	1111	
agencies regarding City programs and projects.		Averag	e Score:	4.75		
Comments:	naatina-	with Door	d Cost ==	d nadal-	oted in a	anomi-
Has joined the FLC Legislative Policy Committee, attended regional League ndevelopment organizations on our behalf. Great representation. Terry is very						
and contacts the appropriate parties when necessary. He continues to be we						

effectively regarding all aspects of the intergovernmental affairs.

8. Economic Develop	ment		1	2	3	4	5	N/O
A. Effectively adr	ninister policy, programs,	and projects.				1	m	
B. Concerted action	ons to promote economic h	ealth.					<u> </u>	-
C. Participation in development of	state, regional and local e	conomic			<u> </u>	<u>I</u>	<u> </u>	
<b>D.</b> Economic dever	elopment strategic and sho	rt range	_	-	=	1		-
	promotion of economic growth is appreci		to put our		verage S			oon abroact
	aining to the city and does deep							
	ng short and long range planning		TTING GIS	Onemi	Jugges	dono and	TOCOMINA	- Conditions
watching him learn more about utilicity manager while cleaning up iten  III. SUMMARY RAT  Overall Performance as well as overall job p	TING  Rating - Considering the performance, the following	results obtained	e has done against	a remarkat	shed pe	rformar	aken over fr	ectations
Unsatisfactory	Improvement Needed	Meets Job Standards	_	eeds J ndards	_	Ou	tstandiı	ng <u>IIII</u>
	nd achievements are appreciate			k!	Total S			
	proven he has the knowledge, s	kills and abilities ne	cessary t	o manag	e our city	as well	as promo	te a positive
atmosphere within city hall.	See II above.							<del>.</del>
Best we have had.								
	S AND OBJECTIVES	the next evelve	tion no	riod: (	Continue :	to take n	art in Stat	e
	ectives to be achieved in ent and economic affairs on bel							
	process, but has grasped what							
learn more and more about		PV						

### V. PERFORMANCE IMPROVEMENT PLAN \*If recommended

Specifics on the City Manager's performance issues to be improved before the next evaluation perio N/A He only needs to keep on keeping on and he will be an exceptional city manager and an asset to the city and council.
To Be Completed after the results have been tabulated of all Council Members.
This evaluation has been reviewed and discussed between the City Council and the City Clerk on:
Date
City Council Concurrence by Signature
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Mayor Charles Goodman YES / NO
President Debra Jones  YES) NO
YES / NO
Vice-President Jerry Robinson YES / NO
Council Member Darfeness Hinds
Council Mømber/Zach Bullock  (YES) NO
Council Member Michael Cox
Council Michigel Witchael Cox
City Manager
Teny Boury 2/13/24
Signature Date
Next Evaluation Date

Date: 02/20/2024

### **COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM**

TOPIC: DISCUSSION WITH POSSIBLE ACTION: SPECIAL ELECTION FOR GROUP "C" AND GROUP "D" SEATS.

REQUESTED BY: COUNCIL PRESIDENT DEBRA JONES/ATTORNEY KIERSTEN

**BALLOU/CITY CLERK LATRICIA WRIGHT** 

PREPARED BY: CITY CLERK LATRICIA WRIGHT

BACKGROUND / DESCRIPTION: MUNICODE SECTION 20:12.

**LEGAL REVIEW: YES** 

FISCAL IMPACTS: Approximately \$2,000.00.

**RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approve** 

ATTACHMENTS: SECTION 20:12 OF MUNICODE.

**COMMISSION ACTION:** 

APPROVED

DISAPPROVED

Sec. 20-12. - Vacancy in candidacy for office.

- (a) If the death, withdrawal or removal from the ballot of a qualified candidate or candidates for city council or mayor following the end of the qualifying period results in fewer than two candidates for a particular office, the city clerk shall schedule a special election for that specific office which shall take place not less than 45 days nor more than 60 days thereafter. The city clerk shall promptly advertise at least one notice of the rescheduled election and reopening of qualifying in a newspaper of general circulation in the city and shall post notice of the same at city hall in a conspicuous place.
- (b) If an election is scheduled pursuant to subsection (a) of this section, a supplemental qualifying period shall be established, which period shall begin no less than nine days after the said notice has been published. The supplemental qualifying period shall end at 12:00 noon on the fifth business day after the beginning date of the supplemental qualifying period. Any candidate wishing to qualify during this supplemental qualifying period shall file all documents and qualifying fees as required by law, the city Charter or this Code prior to the end of the supplemental qualifying period.
- (c) Any remaining candidate for that office shall not be required to requalify for election or pay a second qualifying fee. Any remaining candidate shall not be declared an unopposed candidate unless no additional candidate qualifies for election during the supplemental qualifying period, in which case the canvassing board shall declare the candidate unopposed and elected, and shall cancel the special election.
- (d) The procedures for any special election called hereunder, including the filing of campaign reports and statements by candidates, shall be in accordance with the Florida Elections Code and the provisions of the city Charter and this Code.
- (e) A candidate withdrawing or being removed from the ballot after having qualified and paid the qualification fee shall not receive a refund of the qualifying fee.
- (f) If at any special election called hereunder no candidate receives a majority of votes cast, there shall be a runoff election which shall be held two weeks following the first election, at which election the two candidates receiving the greatest number of votes at the first election shall be voted upon and the one receiving the majority of votes in the runoff election shall be elected to office.

(Ord. No. 502, § 1, 10-19-2004)