



VILLAGE OF BISCAYNE PARK
Village Commission Agenda Report

Item # 12.b

REGULAR MEETING

TO: Honorable Mayor & Members of the
Biscayne Park Village Commission

FROM: Barbara Kuhl, Chair - Parks & Parkway Advisory Board

DATE: September 01, 2020

TITLE: Tree Grant Program 2021

Dear Mayor & Commissioners,

I wanted to provide you with an update on the current Street Tree Matching Grant. The future tree sites have been staked and marked with a white circle, the utilities have been located and the contractor, Country Bill's, will probably start installing the new trees in the next week. David Raymond and I have been working closely with the owner, John, and we've been extremely impressed with him. He's on top of every detail, responds immediately and has offered to help us with details needed to close out the project. It's been a pleasure working with him.

David has been in contact with our Interim Manager coordinating a virtual Arbor Day and press release that are requirements for this grant. He has also been in touch with the grant coordinator making sure all the requirements are met.

As you probably know the Miami-Dade County Street Tree Matching Grant 2020/2021 is now asking for applications. The deadline is Oct. 1, 2020, so that means if the Village is going to apply, the Commission should give its approval at the Sept. 1st meeting. The grant was discussed at our last Parks & Parkways meeting and we passed a motion recommending the Village applies for the 2020/2021 grant. I've included the grant if you'd like to view it. It's almost the same as last year's but they've expanded some of the categories. We won't know the details until we attend their webinar on Sept. 1st.

There is 20K in the budget for tree planting plus another 10K for trees and endcapping. We feel we could plant another 50 - 60 trees if you agree to a maximum match of 15K. Last year we were working with 12K and we were a little short. After going through the process this year we feel very confident we'll be able to budget for the trees better and we won't go over the 15K.

The grant awards will be announced in December and I think we can start the bidding process and planting after Jan. We're very excited about the 60 new trees for our Village. The grant was very time consuming for our board. All of our board members stepped up and used their many talents, however, there were parts of this grant that should have been handled by the administration and our attorney, for example, procurement. We all know that things were changing quickly in a way that no one could have anticipated and we're not blaming anyone but rather asking for the Village to accept their responsibility next year if we proceed with the grant.

Most of the trees being installed will be flowering trees and we're really excited. We think this is a great opportunity to enhance our Village.

I'm hoping you will be discussing this at the next Commission meeting but I'm not sure when so I might not be available. I thought this explanation might help you and I'll be happy to answer any other specific questions you might have before the meeting.

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Thanks,

Barbara Kuhl

Parks & Parkways Chair

Calendar for 2021 Tree Grant Program:

- Grant announcement: Monday, August 17, 2020
 - Grant info webinar*: Tuesday, September 1, 2020 at 10 a.m.
 - Application deadline: Friday, October 2, 2020
 - Anticipated award announcements: Friday, December 18, 2020
 - Planting deadline: Friday, June 25, 2021
 - Final report deadline: Friday, July 9, 2021
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Street Tree Matching Grant

Apply today for Neat Streets Miami's Street Tree Matching Grant (STMG) to support a green recovery in Miami-Dade County and help Million Trees Miami reach its goal of achieving a 30 percent tree canopy County-wide. Funded by Miami-Dade County, this grant engages municipalities, agencies, non-profits foundations, and community groups in planting native or [Florida-friendly trees \(https://ffl.ifas.ufl.edu/plants\)](https://ffl.ifas.ufl.edu/plants) on streets, including corridors, gateways, bus stops, and connections to school and parks. The COVID-19 pandemic has created conditions that have led to environmental benefits such as cleaner air, lower carbon emissions, and opportunities for wildlife to thrive. STMG plantings can be a response to canopy loss from previous natural disasters, or part of an action plan to promote a green recovery from the pandemic.

The goal of this program is to leverage the County's street tree program by encouraging investments on County or local streets.

Grants of \$5,000 to \$50,000 will be awarded to applicants that can demonstrate the greatest benefits for residents, employers, and visitors, and are able to provide a stewardship plan to help secure our joint investment.

Grant applications will be judged using the following criteria:

- Existing Tree Canopy and Income Level
- Project Enhancements
- Resiliency/Impact
- Community Outreach

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*On Tuesday, September 1, 2020, we will be hosting an informational webinar at 10 a.m. via Zoom. For more information, questions, or to request to join the webinar, please email Nikki.Anderson@miamidade.gov (<mailto:Nikki.Anderson@miamidade.gov>).

Documents:

➤ [Street Tree Matching Grant flyer](#)

➤ [Street Tree Matching Grant Procedures](#)

➤ [Grant Selection Criteria \(https://www.miamidade.gov/parks/library/2021-grant-selection-criteria.xlsx\)](https://www.miamidade.gov/parks/library/2021-grant-selection-criteria.xlsx)

➤ [Budget & In-kind Services Timesheet Templates \(https://www.miamidade.gov/parks/library/2021-budget-in-kind-services-timesheet.xlsx\)](https://www.miamidade.gov/parks/library/2021-budget-in-kind-services-timesheet.xlsx)

➤ [Growing Green Bus Stops – Guidelines](#)

➤ [Google Live Planting Plan Tutorial](#)

➤ [Amendment Change Form](#)

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[GRANT APPLICATION \(HTTPS://FORM.JOTFORM.COM/201275695016152\)](https://form.jotform.com/201275695016152)

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TO: Honorable Mayor & Members of the
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FROM: Roseann Prado, Village Clerk

DATE: September 01, 2020

TITLE: Interlocal Agreement with Miami-Dade County regarding Neat Streets Miami
for periodic reports of tree plantings

Background

The Village applied and was approved for a Tree Grant Program with Miami-Dade County Neat Streets Miami.

Recommendation

The Village must provide periodic reports to the County (no less than annually) regarding the number of trees planted in its municipality.

Attachment

- Interlocal Agreement for Periodic Reporting of Tree Plantings

Prepared by: Roseann Prado, Village Clerk

**Miami- Dade County
Parks, Recreation, and Open Spaces Department**

TREE PLANTING REPORTING AGREEMENT

This Interlocal Agreement (the “Agreement”) is made and entered into this ____ day of _____, 20____, between _____ (the “Municipality”) and Miami-Dade County (the “County”), hereinafter called the “County.”

Recitals

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Miami-Dade County, through Resolution No. R-475-18, directed the County Mayor or County Mayor’s Designee to develop an interlocal agreement, to be entered into between the County and municipalities located within Miami-Dade County, for municipalities engaged in tree planting to provide periodic reports to the County regarding their tree plantings; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of the Resolution and this Agreement is to encourage municipalities located within Miami-Dade County to provide periodic reports to the County (no less than annually) regarding the number of trees planted within their municipality; and

WHEREAS, Neat Streets Miami is desirous of receiving accurate and timely data regarding tree plantings from municipalities; and

WHEREAS, this Board desires to assist Neat Streets Miami in obtaining accurate and timely data from municipalities; and

WHEREAS, the County and the Municipality desire to undertake such activities,

NOW THEREFORE, the County and Municipality agree as follows:

Terms and Conditions of Agreement

Municipality’s Responsibilities. The Municipality shall be responsible for providing periodic reports to the County (no less than annually) regarding the number of trees planted within the municipality to include the number of trees planted and the species of the trees planted.

County’s Responsibilities. The County shall be responsible for compiling and maintaining a listing of the number and species of trees planted by the Municipality, based upon the information provided by the Municipality, and will provide the Municipalities that participate in the reporting program an annual report on the number and species of trees planted in Miami-Dade County by the program participants.

(1) **Indemnification.** The Municipality shall indemnify and hold harmless the County its officers, employees, agents and instrumentalities from any and all liability, losses or damages, including attorneys' fees and costs of defense, which the County or its officers, employees, agents or instrumentalities may incur as a result of claims, demands, suits, causes of actions or proceedings of any kind or nature arising out of, relating to or resulting from the performance of this Agreement by the Municipality or its employees, agents, servants, partners principal or subcontractors. The Municipality shall pay all claims and losses in connection therewith and shall investigate and defend all claims, suits or actions of any kind or nature in the name of the County, where applicable, including appellate proceedings, and shall pay all costs, judgments, and attorneys' fees which may issue thereon.

The County shall indemnify and hold harmless the Municipality and its officers, employees, agents and instrumentalities from any and all liability, losses or damages, including attorneys' fees and costs of defense, which the Municipality may incur as a result of claims, demands, suits, causes of actions or proceedings of any kind or nature arising out of, relating to or resulting from the performance of the Agreement by the County. Provided, however, this indemnification shall only be to the extent and within the limitations of Section 768.28 Florida Statutes.

(2) **Term and Termination.** The Agreement shall remain in effect for a three-year period. The County or Municipality may terminate this Agreement for any reason, including for its own convenience, by written notice, without any liability to either party. The County and Municipality may renew the Agreement for additional three-year periods upon mutual agreement of the parties.

(3) **Assignment.** This Agreement is non-transferrable and non-assignable in whole or in part without the written consent of the County and the Municipality.

(4) **Compliance with Laws.** The County and Municipality agree that each party shall, at all times, comply with all applicable local, state, and federal laws, ordinances, codes, statutes, and rules and regulations.

(5) **Authority of Signatories.** The undersigned executing this Agreement on behalf of the Municipality represents and warrants that he/she has authority to bind the Municipality under this Agreement.

[EXECUTION PAGE FOLLOWS]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused these present to be executed on the day and year first written above.

NAME OF MUNICIPALITY: _____

BY: _____
Municipality Representative's Signature

DATE: _____

PRINT NAME _____

TITLE: _____

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

BY: _____
Mayor
Miami-Dade County

DATE: _____

LEGAL SUFFICIENCY: _____
County Attorney

DATE: _____