



TOWN OF MIAMI LAKES MEMORANDUM

To: Honorable Mayor and Honorable Councilmembers

From: Edward Pidermann, Town Manager

Subject: Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Florida Division of
Emergency Management (FDEM) Flood Mitigation Assistance (FMA) Program

Date: August 18, 2020

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Town Council authorize the Town Manager to execute Federally Funded Subaward and Grant Agreements for FEMA's Public Assistance Program for returning a disaster area to pre-disaster conditions.

Background

FEMA's Public Assistance program is a Federal grant to aid State and Local governments in returning a disaster area to pre-disaster conditions. A minimum of 75% of eligible cost is provided to primarily address the repair and restoration of public facilities and infrastructure which have been damaged or destroyed, or the restoration of services which were negatively impacted. Eligible Applicants are state tribal or local governments, and the owners or operators of certain private nonprofit facilities. FEMA and the state share the responsibility for making Public Assistance funds available to the Subgrantee/ Subrecipient. To be eligible for federal funds the Town is required to submit a Request for Public Assistance (RPA) and once that request is approved, it is necessary for the Subgrantee/Subrecipient ("Town") to enter in the attached Agreement with the Florida Division of Emergency Management (the "Grantee" or the "Recipient").

During the month of July 17, 2018, the Town Council approved the application for a similar grant and provided the manager with authority to execute an agreement with FEMA with identically the same terms as provided herein. Presently, the Town is in the Request for Public Assistance review process for cost incurred from the COVID-19 Pandemic. The July 17, 2018 resolution did not provide sufficient authority for the manager to apply for future grants. Accordingly, in anticipation of upcoming approvals, I am requesting the authority to execute the anticipated subgrantee agreements to be able to move the process forward for reimbursement.