

Office of the INDIAN RIVER COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Members of the Board of County Commissioners

FROM: Jason E. Brown

County Administrator

DATE: July 9, 2018

SUBJECT: Support for City of Vero Beach Application for Florida Department of

Economic Opportunities Grant

At the Board of County Commission meeting of July 3, 2018, the Board discussed a letter of support for the City of Vero Beach Airport Grant Application. During the discussion, the Board requested staff to confirm specific information and return with a draft resolution for review.

The City of Vero Beach is applying for a Florida Department of Economic Opportunity Grant for Public Infrastructure to fund improvements to Aviation Boulevard. The City anticipates the grant will cover the full cost of construction, and are not expecting any funding match or participation from the County.

The City of Vero Beach City Manager has advised that the City has the necessary Right-of-Way on Aviation Boulevard for the proposed improvements. The City has also confirmed that it is the City's responsibility for the railroad crossing maintenance at Aviation Boulevard.

There are currently no Florida Department of Economic Opportunity Grant applications submitted for consideration by Indian River County.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends the Board of County Commission approve the proposed resolution in support of the City of Vero Beach application for a Florida Department of Economic Opportunity Grant for Public Infrastructure to fund improvements to Aviation Boulevard.