



# City of Pensacola

222 West Main Street  
Pensacola, FL 32502

## Memorandum

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**File #:** 2021-81

City Council

9/23/2021

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### **LEGISLATIVE ACTION ITEM**

**SPONSOR:** Grover C. Robinson, IV, Mayor

**SUBJECT:**

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-81 AUTHORIZING THE COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY TO APPLY FOR AND ACCEPT A FDOT BEAUTIFICATION GRANT FOR CONSTRUCTING LANDSCAPE IMPROVEMENTS WITHIN THE GARDEN STREET CORRIDOR

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That City Council adopt Resolution No. 2021-81:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF PENSACOLA COUNCIL AUTHORIZING THE COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY TO APPLY FOR AND ACCEPT A FDOT BEAUTIFICATION GRANT AND ENTER INTO A BEAUTIFICATION GRANT AGREEMENT AND A LANDSCAPE CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT WITH THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE.

**HEARING REQUIRED:** No Hearing Required

**SUMMARY:**

The FDOT Beautification Grant offers funding in the amount of up to \$100,000 for landscape improvements to state transportation facilities, such as Garden Street, with a suggested fifty-percent (50%) local match. To apply for the opportunity, the CRA and City Council must adopt resolutions authorizing the CRA to apply for and accept the grant and to maintain the improvements. If awarded, the improvements would be maintained under the CRA's existing interlocal agreement for landscape, park, public space and accessibility improvement maintenance services with the City of Pensacola.

In 2018, the CRA previously applied for, and was awarded, a State of Florida Beautification Grant from FDOT to make and maintain landscape improvements in the median of W Garden from Alcaniz Street to A Street. Design for that project has recently been completed and it is anticipated that bidding for construction will ensue in the Fall. Staff has prepared an additional application to FDOT for grant funds to beautify and enhance the section of Garden Street west of A Street. Should the application be submitted and funds awarded, the CRA will be able to complete the improvement of the entire W. Garden Street median and add beautification to the westside of the Pensacola inner city.

A resolution of the CRA and City Council must accompany the application. The application submission deadline is October 1, 2021. Due to the time sensitive nature of the application process, the CRA and City Council resolutions must be adopted in September to successfully submit a grant application.

**PRIOR ACTION:**

September 10, 2018 - CRA adopted a resolution authorizing staff to apply for and accept an FDOT Beautification Grant for West Garden Street from Alcaniz to A Street.

**FUNDING:**

N/A

**FINANCIAL IMPACT:**

Once final approval of grant has been made by FDOT and the actual amount of funding to be awarded is known a supplemental budget resolution request will be brought to the CRA and City Council for appropriation of the grant funds.

**LEGAL REVIEW ONLY BY CITY ATTORNEY:** Choose an item.

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**ATTACHMENTS:**

- 1) Resolution No. 2021-81

**PRESENTATION:** No