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STATE OF FLORIDA, DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

STATE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE AGREEMENT

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This State Financial Assistance Agreement ("Agreement") is entered into on _____, by and between the State of Florida, Department of Transportation ("Department") and Hernando County, ("Agency"). The Department and the Agency are sometimes referred to in this Agreement as a "Party" and collectively as the "Parties."

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual benefits to be derived from joint participation on the Project, the Parties agree to the following:

- 1. Authority.** The Fiscal Year 2024 General Appropriations Act, Chapter 2023, Laws of Florida, provides the Agency with an appropriation of 2,900,000, from the amount in Specific Appropriation, proviso, or item on a conference committee spreadsheet 1988A ("Appropriation"), for Technology Center Multi Modal, the "Project", described more fully in **Exhibit "A", Project Description and Responsibilities**, which is attached and incorporated into this Agreement.

The Agency, by Resolution or other form of official authorization, a copy of which is attached as **Exhibit "C"** and incorporated into this Agreement, has authorized its officers to execute this Agreement on its behalf.

- 2. Purpose of Agreement.** The purpose of this Agreement is to provide for the Department's participation in the Project; to provide the terms and conditions for the disbursement of the state financial assistance funding awarded to the Agency by Appropriation; and to set forth the manner in which the Project, described in **Exhibit "A"**, will be undertaken and completed.

- 3. Exhibits.** The following Exhibits are attached and incorporated into this Agreement:

- Exhibit A: Project Description and Responsibilities
- Exhibit B: Schedule of State Financial Assistance
- Exhibit C: Agency Resolution
- Exhibit D: Audit Requirements for Awards of State Financial Assistance

- 4. Time.** Unless specified otherwise, all references to "days" within this Agreement refer to calendar days.

- 5. Term of Agreement.** This Agreement shall commence upon full execution by both Parties ("Effective Date") and continue through 06/30/2027, unless the Project is completed earlier. If the Agency does not complete the Project within this time period, this Agreement will expire unless an extension of the time period is requested by the Agency and granted in writing by the Department prior to the expiration of this Agreement. Expiration of this Agreement will be considered termination of the Project. The cost of any work performed prior to the Effective Date or after the expiration date or earlier termination of this Agreement is not eligible for funding or reimbursement by the Department under this Agreement. The Effective Date will be treated as the Department's Notice to Proceed to the Agency for the design phase or other non-construction phases of the Project. If the Project involves a construction phase, the

Recipient shall not begin the construction phase of the Project until the Department issues a written Notice to Proceed for the construction phase. Prior to commencing the construction work described in this Agreement, the Recipient shall request a Notice to Proceed from the Department.

6. **Amendments, Extensions, and Assignment.** This Agreement may be amended or extended upon mutual written agreement of the Parties. This Agreement shall not be renewed. This Agreement shall not be assigned, transferred, or otherwise encumbered by the Agency under any circumstances without the prior written consent of the Department. State financial assistance funding awarded to the Agency by Appropriation may not be subgranted, assigned, transferred, or otherwise encumbered by the Agency.
7. **Termination or Suspension of Project.** The Department may, by written notice to the Agency, suspend any or all of the Department's obligations under this Agreement for the Agency's failure to comply with applicable law or the terms of this Agreement until such time as the event or condition resulting in such suspension has ceased or been corrected. The Department may also terminate this Agreement in whole or in part at any time the interest of the Department requires such termination.
 - a. If the Department terminates the Agreement, the Department shall notify the Agency of such termination in writing within thirty (30) days of the Department's determination to terminate the Agreement, with instructions as to the effective date of termination or to specify the stage of work at which the Agreement is to be terminated.
 - b. The Parties to this Agreement may also terminate this Agreement when its continuation would not produce beneficial results commensurate with the further expenditure of funds. In this event, the Parties shall agree upon the termination conditions through mutual written agreement.
 - c. If the Agreement is terminated before performance is completed, the Agency shall be paid only for that work satisfactorily performed for which costs can be substantiated. Such payment, however, may not exceed an amount which is the same percentage of the state financial assistance funding awarded to the Agency by Appropriation. All work in progress on the Department right-of-way will become the property of the Department and will be turned over promptly by the Recipient.
 - d. Upon termination of this Agreement, the Agency shall, within thirty (30) days, refund to the Department any funds expended in violation of the Agreement.
 - e. The Department reserves the right to unilaterally terminate this Agreement for failure by the Agency to comply with the Public Records provisions of Chapter 119, Florida Statutes.

8. Project Cost:

- a. The estimated cost of the Project is **\$2,900,000**. This amount is based upon **Exhibit "B", Schedule of State Financial Assistance**, which is attached and incorporated into this Agreement. **Exhibit "B", Schedule of State Financial Assistance**, may be modified by execution of an amendment of the Agreement by the Parties.
- b. The Department agrees to participate in the Project cost up to the maximum amount of **\$2,900,000** and, the Department's participation in the Project shall not exceed **100%** of the total cost of the Project, as more fully described in **Exhibit "B", Schedule of State Financial Assistance**. The Agency agrees to bear all expenses in excess of the amount of the Department's participation and any cost overruns or deficits involved in connection with completion of the Project.
- c. The Department's participation in eligible Project costs is subject, but not limited to:
 - i. The receipt of the Appropriation for the work program year that the Project is scheduled for commitment;

- ii. Approval or acceptance of all plans, specifications, contracts or other obligating documents when required by this Agreement and compliance with other applicable terms of this Agreement; and
- iii. Department approval of the Project scope, budget and completion schedule.

9. Compensation and Payment:

- a. **Eligible Cost.** The Department shall reimburse the Agency for costs incurred to perform services described in **Exhibit "A", Project Description and Responsibilities**, and as set forth in **Exhibit "B", Schedule of State Financial Assistance**.
- b. **Deliverables.** The Agency shall provide quantifiable, measurable, and verifiable units of deliverables. Each deliverable must specify the required minimum level of service to be performed and the criteria for evaluating successful completion. The Project and the quantifiable, measurable, and verifiable units of deliverables are described more fully in **Exhibit "A", Project Description and Responsibilities**. Any changes to the deliverables shall require an amendment executed by both Parties.
- c. **Invoicing.** Invoices shall be submitted no more often than monthly and no less than quarterly by the Agency in detail sufficient for a proper pre-audit and post-audit, based on the quantifiable, measurable, and verifiable deliverables as established in **Exhibit "A", Project Description and Responsibilities**. Deliverables and costs incurred must be received and approved by the Department prior to reimbursement. Requests for reimbursement by the Agency shall include an invoice, progress report, and supporting documentation for the deliverables being billed that are acceptable to the Department. The Agency shall use the format for the invoice and progress report that is approved by the Department
- d. **Supporting Documentation.** Supporting documentation must establish that the deliverables were received and accepted in writing by the Agency and must also establish that the required minimum standards or level of service to be performed based on the criteria for evaluating successful completion as specified in **Exhibit "A", Project Description and Responsibilities** has been met. All costs invoiced shall be supported by invoices, contracts, or vouchers evidencing in proper detail the nature and propriety of charges as described in the invoice **Exhibit "F", Contract Payment Requirements**.
- e. **Travel Expenses.** Travel expenses are not eligible for reimbursement under this Agreement.
- f. **Financial Consequences.** Payment shall be made only after receipt and approval of deliverables and costs incurred unless advance payments are authorized by the Chief Financial Officer of the State of Florida under Chapters 215 and 216, Florida Statutes, or the Department's Comptroller under Section 334.044(29), Florida Statutes. If the Department determines that the performance of the Agency is unsatisfactory, the Department shall notify the Agency of the deficiency to be corrected, which correction shall be made within a time-frame to be specified by the Department. The Agency shall, within thirty (30) days after notice from the Department, provide the Department with a corrective action plan describing how the Agency will address all issues of contract non-performance, unacceptable performance, failure to meet the minimum performance levels, deliverable deficiencies, or contract non-compliance. If the corrective action plan is unacceptable to the Department, the Agency will not be reimbursed. The Agency will not be reimbursed until the Agency resolves the deficiency to the satisfaction of the Department. If the deficiency is subsequently resolved, the Agency may bill the Department for the amount that was previously not reimbursed during the next billing period. If the Agency is unable to resolve the deficiency, the funds shall be forfeited at the end of the Agreement's term.
- g. **Invoice Processing.** An Agency receiving financial assistance from the Department should be aware of the following time frames. Inspection or verification and approval of deliverables shall take no longer than 20 days from the Department's receipt of the invoice. The Department has 20 days to deliver a request for payment (voucher) to the Department of Financial Services.

The 20 days are measured from the latter of the date the invoice is received or the deliverables are received, inspected or verified, and approved.

If a payment is not available within 40 days, a separate interest penalty at a rate as established pursuant to Section 55.03(1), Florida Statutes, will be due and payable, in addition to the invoice amount, to the Agency. Interest penalties of less than one (1) dollar will not be enforced unless the Agency requests payment. Invoices that have to be returned to an Agency because of Agency preparation errors will result in a delay in the payment. The invoice payment requirements do not start until a properly completed invoice is provided to the Department.

A Vendor Ombudsman has been established within the Department of Financial Services. The duties of this individual include acting as an advocate for Agency who may be experiencing problems in obtaining timely payment(s) from a state agency. The Vendor Ombudsman may be contacted at (850) 413-5516.

- h. Records Retention.** The Agency shall maintain an accounting system or separate accounts to ensure funds and projects are tracked separately. Records of costs incurred under the terms of this Agreement shall be maintained and made available upon request to the Department at all times during the term of this Agreement and for five years after final payment is made. Copies of these documents and records shall be furnished to the Department upon request. Records of costs incurred include the Agency's general accounting records and the Project records, together with supporting documents and records, of the contractor and all subcontractors performing work on the Project, and all other records of the contractor and subcontractors considered necessary by the Department for a proper audit of costs.
- i. Progress Reports.** The Department is entitled, at all times, to be advised as to the status of the Project and of details thereof. The Agency agrees to provide the Department with progress reports on all work covered by this Agreement performed or scheduled for completion during the time period covered by each Invoice submitted to the Department, and as requested by the Department.
- j. Submission of Other Documents.** The Agency shall submit to the Department such data, reports, records, contracts, and other documents relating to the Project as the Department may require.
- k. Offsets for Claims.** If, after Project completion, any claim is made by the Department resulting from an audit or for work or services performed pursuant to this Agreement, the Department may offset such amount from payments due for work or services done under any agreement that it has with the Agency owing such amount if, upon written demand, payment of the amount is not made within 60 days to the Department. Offsetting any amount pursuant to this paragraph shall not be considered a breach of contract by the Department.
- l. Final Invoice.** The Agency must submit the final invoice on the Project to the Department within 120 days after the completion of the Project. Invoices submitted after the 120-day time period may not be paid.
- m. Department's Performance and Payment Contingent Upon Annual Appropriation by the Legislature.** The Department's performance and obligation to pay under this Agreement is contingent upon an annual appropriation by the Legislature.
- n. Limits on Contracts Exceeding \$25,000 and Term more than 1 Year.** In the event this Agreement is in excess of \$25,000 and has a term for a period of more than one year, the provisions of Section 339.135(6)(a), Florida Statutes, are hereby incorporated:

"The Department, during any fiscal year, shall not expend money, incur any liability, or enter into any contract which, by its terms, involves the expenditure of money in excess of the amounts budgeted as available for expenditure during such fiscal year. Any contract, verbal or written, made in violation of this subsection is null and void, and no money may be paid

on such contract. The Department shall require a statement from the comptroller of the Department that funds are available prior to entering into any such contract or other binding commitment of funds. Nothing herein contained shall prevent the making of contracts for periods exceeding 1 year, but any contract so made shall be executory only for the value of the services to be rendered or agreed to be paid for in succeeding fiscal years; and this paragraph shall be incorporated verbatim in all contracts of the Department which are for an amount in excess of \$25,000 and which have a term for a period of more than 1 year."

- o. Agency Obligation to Refund Department.** Any Project funds made available by the Department pursuant to this Agreement that are determined by the Department to have been expended by the Agency in violation of this Agreement or any other applicable law or regulation, shall be promptly refunded in full to the Department. Acceptance by the Department of any documentation or certifications, mandatory or otherwise permitted, that the Agency files shall not constitute a waiver of the Department's rights as the funding agency to verify all information at a later date by audit or investigation.
 - p. Non-Eligible Costs.** In determining the amount of the payment, the Department will exclude all Project costs incurred by the Agency prior to the execution of this Agreement, costs incurred prior to issuance of the Department's Notice to Proceed, costs incurred after the expiration or earlier termination of the Agreement, costs that are not provided for in **Exhibit "A", Project Description and Responsibilities**, costs which are not provided for in **Exhibit "B", Schedule of State Financial Assistance** for the Project, costs agreed to be borne by the Agency or its contractors and subcontractors for not meeting the Project commencement and final invoice timelines, and costs attributable to goods or services received under a contract or other arrangement that has not been approved in writing by the Department. Specific unallowable costs may be listed in **Exhibit "A", Project Description and Responsibilities**.
- 10. General Requirements.** The Agency shall complete the Project with all practical dispatch in a sound, economical, and efficient manner, and in accordance with the provisions in this Agreement and all applicable laws.
- a. The Agency must obtain written approval from the Department prior to performing itself (through the efforts of its own employees) any aspect of the Project that will be funded under this Agreement.**

If this box is checked, then the Agency is permitted to utilize its own forces and the following provision applies: **Use of Agency Workforce.** In the event the Agency proceeds with any phase of the Project utilizing its own forces, the Agency will only be reimbursed for direct costs (this excludes general overhead).
 - b. Necessary Permits Certification.** The Agency shall certify to the Department that the Agency's design consultant and/or construction contractor has secured the necessary permits.
 - c. Right-of-Way Certification.** If the Project involves construction, the Agency shall provide to the Department certification and a copy of appropriate documentation substantiating that all required right-of-way necessary for the Project has been obtained. Certification is required prior to authorization for advertisement for or solicitation of bids for construction of the Project, even if no right-of-way is required.
 - d. Agency Compliance with Laws, Rules, and Regulations, Guidelines, and Standards.** The Agency shall comply and require its contractors and subcontractors to comply with all terms and conditions of this Agreement and all federal, state, and local laws and regulations applicable to this Project.
 - e. Claims and Requests for Additional Work.** The Agency shall have the sole responsibility for resolving claims and requests for additional work for the Project by the Agency's contractors and subcontractors. No funds will be provided for payment of claims or additional work on the

Project under this Agreement without prior written approval by the Department of the claim or request for additional work.

11. Contracts of the Agency:

- a. **Approval of Third-Party Contracts.** The Department has the right and shall be afforded the opportunity to review and approve any and all third-party contracts (or it may waive that right via written confirmation of said waiver) with respect to the Project before the Agency executes or obligates itself in any manner requiring the disbursement of Department funds for any third party contracts under this Agreement, including consultant or construction contracts, or amendments thereto. If the Department exercises this right and the Agency fails to obtain such written approval, the Department may deny payment to the Agency. The Department may review the qualifications of any consultant or contractor and approve or disapprove the employment of such consultant or contractor.
- b. **Procurement of Commodities or Contractual Services.** It is understood and agreed by the Parties hereto that participation by the Department in a project that involves the purchase of commodities or contractual services where purchases or costs exceed the Threshold Amount for CATEGORY TWO per Section 287.017, Florida Statutes, is contingent on the Agency complying in full with the provisions of Section 287.057, Florida Statutes. The Agency shall certify to the Department that the purchase of commodities or contractual services has been accomplished in compliance with Section 287.057, Florida Statutes. It shall be the sole responsibility of the Agency to ensure that any obligations made in accordance with this Section comply with the current threshold limits. Contracts, purchase orders, task orders, construction change orders, or any other agreement that would result in exceeding the current budget contained in **Exhibit "B", Schedule of State Financial Assistance**, or that is not consistent with the Project description and scope of services contained in **Exhibit "A", Project Description and Responsibilities** must be approved by the Department prior to Agency execution. Failure to obtain such approval, and subsequent execution of an amendment to the Agreement if required, shall be sufficient cause for nonpayment by the Department.
- c. **Consultants' Competitive Negotiation Act.** Participation by the Department in a project that involves a consultant contract for professional services, is contingent on the Agency's complying in full with provisions of Section 287.055, Florida Statutes, Consultants' Competitive Negotiation Act. In all cases, the Agency shall certify to the Department that selection has been accomplished in compliance with the Consultants' Competitive Negotiation Act.
- d. **Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Policy and Obligation.** It is the policy of the Department that DBEs, as defined in 49 C.F.R. Part 26, as amended, shall have the opportunity to participate in the performance of contracts financed in whole or in part with Department funds under this Agreement. The DBE requirements of applicable federal and state laws and regulations apply to this Agreement. The Agency and its contractors agree to ensure that DBEs have the opportunity to participate in the performance of this Agreement. In this regard, all recipients and contractors shall take all necessary and reasonable steps in accordance with applicable federal and state laws and regulations to ensure that the DBEs have the opportunity to compete for and perform contracts. The Agency and its contractors and subcontractors shall not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin or sex in the award and performance of contracts, entered pursuant to this Agreement.

12. Design and Construction Standards and Required Approvals: In the event the Project includes construction the following provisions are incorporated into this Agreement:

- a. The Agency is responsible for obtaining all permits necessary for the Project.
- b. In the event the Project involves construction on the Department's right-of-way, the Agency shall provide the Department with written notification of either its intent to:
 - i. Award the construction of the Project to a Department prequalified contractor which is the lowest and best bidder in accordance with applicable state and federal statutes, rules, and regulations. The Agency shall then submit a copy of the bid tally sheet(s) and awarded bid contract, or

- ii. Construct the Project utilizing existing Agency employees, if the Agency can complete said Project within the time frame set forth in this Agreement. The Agency's use of this option is subject to approval by the Department.
- c. The Agency shall hire a qualified contractor using the Agency's normal bid procedures to perform the construction work for the Project. For projects that are not located on the Department's right-of-way, the Agency is not required to hire a contractor prequalified by the Department unless the Department notifies the Agency prior to letting that they are required to hire a contractor prequalified by the Department.
- d. The Agency is responsible for provision of Construction Engineering Inspection (CEI) services. The Department reserves the right to require the Agency to hire a Department pre-qualified consultant firm that includes one individual that has completed the Advanced Maintenance of Traffic Level Training. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, design services and CEI services may not be performed by the same entity. Administration of the CEI staff shall be under the responsible charge of a State of Florida Licensed Professional Engineer who shall provide the certification that all design and construction for the Project meets the minimum construction standards established by Department. The Department shall have the right to approve the CEI firm. The Department shall have the right, but not the obligation, to perform independent assurance testing during the course of construction of the Project. Subject to the approval of the Department, the Agency may choose to satisfy the requirements set forth in this paragraph by either hiring a Department prequalified consultant firm or utilizing Agency staff that meet the requirements of this paragraph, or a combination thereof.
- e. The Agency is responsible for the preparation of all design plans for the Project. The Department reserves the right to require the Agency to hire a Department pre-qualified consultant for the design phase of the Project using the Agency's normal procurement procedures to perform the design services for the Project. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, design services and CEI services may not be performed by the same entity. All design work on the Project shall be performed in accordance with the requirements of all applicable laws and governmental rules and regulations and federal and state accepted design standards for the type of construction contemplated by the Project, including, as applicable, but not limited to, the applicable provisions of the Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD) and the AASHTO Policy on Geometric Design of Streets and Highways. If any portion of the Project will be located on, under, or over any Department-owned right-of-way, the Department shall review the Project's design plans for compliance with all applicable standards of the Department.
- f. The Agency shall adhere to the Department's Conflict of Interest Procedure (FDOT Topic No. 375-030-006).
- g. The Agency will provide copies of the final design plans and specifications and final bid documents to the Department's Construction Project Manager prior to commencing construction of the Project. The Department will specify the number of copies required and the required format.
- h. The Agency shall require the Agency's contractor to post a payment and performance bond in accordance with applicable law.
- i. The Agency shall be responsible to ensure that the construction work under this Agreement is performed in accordance with the approved construction documents, and that it will meet all applicable Agency and Department standards.
- j. Upon completion of the work authorized by this Agreement, the Agency shall notify the Department in writing of the completion of construction of the Project; and for all design work that originally required certification by a Professional Engineer, this notification shall contain an Engineers Certification of Compliance, signed and sealed by a Professional Engineer, the form of which is attached hereto and incorporated herein as **Exhibit "E", Engineers Certification of Completion**. The certification shall state that work has been completed in compliance with the Project construction plans and specifications. If any deviations are found from the approved

plans, the certification shall include a list of all deviations along with an explanation that justifies the reason to accept each deviation.

- k. The Agency shall provide the Department with as-built plans of any portions of the Project funded through the Agreement prior to final inspection.

13. Maintenance Obligations. In the event the Project includes construction or the acquisition of commodities then the following provisions are incorporated into this Agreement:

- a. The Agency agrees to accept all future maintenance and other attendant costs occurring after completion of the Project for all improvements constructed or commodities acquired as part of the Project. The terms of this provision shall survive the termination of this Agreement.

14. Sale, Transfer, or Disposal of Department-funded Property:

- a. The Agency may not sell or otherwise transfer or dispose of any part of its title or other interests in real property, facilities, or equipment funded in any part by the Department under this Agreement without prior written approval by the Department.
- b. If a sale, transfer, or disposal by the Agency of all or a portion of Department-funded real property, facilities, or equipment is approved by the Department, the following provisions will apply:
 - i. The Agency shall reimburse the Department a proportional amount of the proceeds of the sale of any Department-funded property.
 - ii. The proportional amount shall be determined on the basis of the ratio of the Department funding of the development or acquisition of the property multiplied against the sale amount, and shall be remitted to the Department within ninety (90) days of closing of sale.
 - iii. Sale of property developed or acquired with Department funds shall be at market value as determined by appraisal or public bidding process, and the contract and process for sale must be approved in advance by the Department.
 - iv. If any portion of the proceeds from the sale to the Agency are non-cash considerations, reimbursement to the Department shall include a proportional amount based on the value of the non-cash considerations.
- c. The terms of provisions "a" and "b" above shall survive the termination of this Agreement.
 - i. The terms shall remain in full force and effect throughout the useful life of facilities developed, equipment acquired, or Project items installed within a facility, but shall not exceed twenty (20) years from the effective date of this Agreement.
 - ii. There shall be no limit on the duration of the terms with respect to real property acquired with Department funds.

15. State Single Audit. The administration of resources awarded through the Department to the Agency by this Agreement may be subject to audits and/or monitoring by the Department. The following requirements do not limit the authority of the Department to conduct or arrange for the conduct of additional audits or evaluations of state financial assistance or limit the authority of any state agency inspector general, the Auditor General, or any other state official. The Agency shall comply with all audit and audit reporting requirements as specified below.

- a. In addition to reviews of audits conducted in accordance with Section 215.97, Florida Statutes, monitoring procedures to monitor the Agency's use of state financial assistance may include but not be limited to on-site visits by Department staff and/or other procedures, including reviewing any required performance and financial reports, following up, ensuring

corrective action, and issuing management decisions on weaknesses found through audits when those findings pertain to state financial assistance awarded through the Department by this Agreement. By entering into this Agreement, the Agency agrees to comply and cooperate fully with any monitoring procedures/processes deemed appropriate by the Department. The Agency further agrees to comply and cooperate with any inspections, reviews, investigations, or audits deemed necessary by the Department, the Department of Financial Services (DFS), or the Auditor General.

- b. The Agency, a "nonstate entity" as defined by Section 215.97(2)(n), Florida Statutes, as a recipient of state financial assistance awarded by the Department through this Agreement, is subject to the following requirements:
- i. In the event the Agency meets the audit threshold requirements established by Section 215.97, Florida Statutes, the Agency must have a State single or project-specific audit conducted for such fiscal year in accordance with Section 215.97, Florida Statutes; applicable rules of the Department of Financial Services; and Chapters 10.550 (local governmental entities) or 10.650 (nonprofit and for-profit organizations), Rules of the Auditor General. **Exhibit "D", Audit Requirements for Awards of State Financial Assistance**, to this Agreement indicates state financial assistance awarded through the Department by this Agreement needed by the Agency to further comply with the requirements of Section 215.97, Florida Statutes. In determining the state financial assistance expended in a fiscal year, the Agency shall consider all sources of state financial assistance, including state financial assistance received from the Department by this Agreement, 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.
 - ii. In connection with the audit requirements, the Agency shall ensure that the audit complies with the requirements of Section 215.97(8), Florida Statutes. This includes submission of a financial reporting package as defined by Section 215.97(2)(e), Florida Statutes, and Chapters 10.550 (local governmental entities) or 10.650 (nonprofit and for-profit organizations), Rules of the Auditor General.
 - iii. In the event the Agency does not meet the audit threshold requirements established by Section 215.97, Florida Statutes, the Agency is exempt for such fiscal year from the state single audit requirements of Section 215.97, Florida Statutes. However, the Agency must provide a single audit exemption statement to the Department at FDOTSingleAudit@dot.state.fl.us no later than nine months after the end of the Agency's audit period for each applicable audit year. In the event the Agency does not meet the audit threshold requirements established by Section 215.97, Florida Statutes, in a fiscal year and elects to have an audit conducted in accordance with the provisions of Section 215.97, Florida Statutes, the financial reporting package may be provided to the Department in lieu of the required single audit exemption statement. The cost of the audit must be paid from the Agency's resources (*i.e.*, the cost of such an audit must be paid from the Agency's resources obtained from other than State entities).
 - iv. In accordance with Chapters 10.550 (local governmental entities) or 10.650 (nonprofit and for-profit organizations), Rules of the Auditor General, copies of financial reporting packages required by this Agreement shall be submitted to:

Office of Comptroller, MS 24
605 Suwannee Street
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0405
Email: FDOTSingleAudit@dot.state.fl.us

And

State of Florida Auditor General
Local Government Audits/342
111 West Madison Street, Room 401
Tallahassee, FL 32399-1450
Email: flaudgen_localgovt@aud.state.fl.us

- v. Any copies of financial reporting packages, reports, or other information required to be submitted to the Department shall be submitted timely in accordance with Section 215.97, Florida Statutes, and Chapters 10.550 (local governmental entities) or 10.650 (nonprofit and for-profit organizations), Rules of the Auditor General, as applicable.
 - vi. The Agency, when submitting financial reporting packages to the Department for audits done in accordance with Chapters 10.550 (local governmental entities) or 10.650 (nonprofit and for-profit organizations), Rules of the Auditor General, shall indicate the date the reporting package was delivered to the Agency in correspondence accompanying the reporting package.
 - vii. Upon receipt, and within six months, the Department will review the Agency's financial reporting package, including corrective action plans and management letters, to the extent necessary to determine whether timely and appropriate corrective action on all deficiencies has been taken pertaining to the state financial assistance provided through the Department by this Agreement. If the Agency fails to have an audit conducted consistent with Section 215.97, Florida Statutes, the Department may take appropriate corrective action to enforce compliance.
 - viii. As a condition of receiving state financial assistance, the Agency shall permit the Department or its designee, DFS, or the Auditor General, access to the Agency's records, including financial statements, the independent auditor's working papers, and project records as necessary. Records related to unresolved audit findings, appeals, or litigation shall be retained until the action is complete or the dispute is resolved.
- c. The Agency shall retain sufficient records demonstrating its compliance with the terms of this Agreement for a period of five years from the date the audit report is issued and shall allow the Department or its designee, DFS, or the Auditor General, access to such records upon request. The Agency shall ensure that the audit working papers are made available to the Department or its designee, DFS or the Auditor General upon request for a period of five years from the date the audit report is issued, unless extended in writing by the Department.

16. Notices and Approvals. All notices and approvals referenced in this Agreement are in effect upon receipt by either Party, shall be in writing, and shall be transmitted either by personal hand delivery; United States Post Office, return receipt requested; or, overnight express mail delivery. E-mail and facsimile may be used if the notice is also transmitted by one of the preceding forms of delivery. The addresses and the contact persons set forth below for the respective Parties shall be the places where notices shall be sent, unless prior written notice of change of address is given.

DEPARTMENT:

STATE OF FLORIDA, DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Program Management Office
Local Programs Coordinator
Florida Department of Transportation
605 Suwannee Street, M.S. 758
Tallahassee, FL 32399

General Counsel
Florida Department of Transportation
605 Suwannee Street, M.S. 58
Tallahassee, FL 32399

AGENCY:
Florida Department of Transportation
11201 N McKinley Drive, 7-500
Tampa, FL 33612

17. Restrictions, Prohibitions, Controls and Labor Provisions:

- a. **Convicted Vendor List.** 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 on a contract to provide any goods or services to a public entity; may not submit a bid on a contract with a public entity for the construction or repair of a public building or public work; may not submit bids 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 Section 287.017, Florida Statutes, for CATEGORY TWO for a period of 36 months from the date of being placed on the convicted vendor list.
- b. **Discriminatory Vendor List.** In accordance with Section 287.134, Florida Statutes, an entity or affiliate who has been placed on the Discriminatory Vendor List, kept by the Florida Department of Management Services, may not submit a bid on a contract to provide goods or services to a public entity; may not submit a bid on a contract with a public entity for the construction or repair of a public building or public work; may not submit bids 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.
- c. **Non-Responsible Contractors.** An entity or affiliate who has had its Certificate of Qualification suspended, revoked, denied, or have further been determined by the Department to be a non-responsible contractor, may not submit a bid or perform work for the construction or repair of a public building or public work on a contract with the Agency.
- d. **Prohibition on Using Funds for Lobbying.** No funds received pursuant to this Agreement may be expended for lobbying the Florida Legislature, judicial branch, or any state agency, in accordance with Section 216.347, Florida Statutes.
- e. **Unauthorized Aliens.** The Department shall consider the employment by any contractor of unauthorized aliens a violation of Section 274A(e) of the Immigration and Nationality Act. If the contractor knowingly employs unauthorized aliens, such violation will be cause for unilateral cancellation of this Agreement.
- f. **Procurement of Construction Services.** If the Project is procured pursuant to Chapter 255, Florida Statutes, for construction services and at the time of the competitive solicitation for the Project, 50 percent or more of the cost of the Project is to be paid from state-appropriated funds, then the Agency must comply with the requirements of Section 255.0991, Florida Statutes.
- g. **E-Verify.** The Agency shall:

- i. Utilize the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's E-Verify system to verify the employment eligibility of all new employees hired by the Agency during the term of this Agreement; and
 - ii. Expressly require any subcontractors performing work or providing services pursuant to this Agreement to likewise utilize the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's E-Verify system to verify the employment eligibility of all new employees hired by the subcontractor during the contract term.
- h. Design Services and Construction Engineering and Inspection Services.** If the Project is wholly or partially funded by the Department and administered by a local governmental entity, except for a seaport listed in Section 311.09, Florida Statutes, the entity performing design and construction engineering and inspection services may not be the same entity.

18. Indemnification and Insurance:

- a. It is specifically agreed between the Parties executing this Agreement that it is not intended by any of the provisions of any part of this Agreement to create in the public or any member thereof, a third-party beneficiary under this Agreement, or to authorize anyone not a party to this Agreement to maintain a suit for personal injuries or property damage pursuant to the terms or provisions of this Agreement. The Agency guarantees the payment of all just claims for materials, supplies, tools, or labor and other just claims against the Agency or any subcontractor, in connection with this Agreement. Additionally, to the extent provided by law and as limited by and pursuant to the provisions of Section 768.28, Florida Statutes, the Agency shall indemnify and hold harmless the Department, including the Department's officers and employees, from liabilities, damages, losses, and costs, including, but not limited to, reasonable attorney's fees, to the extent caused by the negligence, recklessness, or intentional wrongful misconduct of the Agency and persons employed or utilized by the Agency in the performance of this Agreement. This indemnification shall survive the termination of this Agreement. Nothing contained in this paragraph is intended to nor shall it constitute a waiver of the Agency's sovereign immunity. Additionally, the Agency agrees to include the following indemnification in all contracts with contractors/subcontractors and consultants/subconsultants who perform work in connection with this Agreement:

"The Agency's contractor/consultant shall indemnify and hold harmless the Agency and the State of Florida, Department of Transportation, including the Department's officers and employees, from liabilities, damages, losses and costs, including, but not limited to, reasonable attorney's fees, to the extent caused by the negligence, recklessness or intentional wrongful misconduct of the contractor/consultant and persons employed or utilized by the contractor/consultant in the performance of this Agreement.

This indemnification shall survive the termination of this Agreement."

- b. The Agency shall provide Workers' Compensation Insurance in accordance with Florida's Workers' Compensation Law for all employees. If subletting any of the work, ensure that the contractor(s)/subcontractor(s) and consultant(s)/subconsultant(s) have Workers' Compensation Insurance for their employees in accordance with Florida's Workers' Compensation Law. If using "leased employees" or employees obtained through professional employer organizations ("PEO's"), ensure that such employees are covered by Workers' Compensation Insurance through the PEO's or other leasing entities. Ensure that any equipment rental agreements that include operators or other personnel who are employees of independent contractors, sole proprietorships, or partners are covered by insurance required under Florida's Workers' Compensation Law.
- c. If the Agency elects to self-perform the Project, and such self-performance is approved by the Department in accordance with the terms of this Agreement, the Agency may self-insure and proof of self-insurance shall be provided to the Department. If the Agency elects

to hire a contractor or consultant to perform the Project, then the Agency shall, or cause its contractor or consultant to carry, Commercial General Liability insurance providing continuous coverage for all work or operations performed under this Agreement. Such insurance shall be no more restrictive than that provided by the latest occurrence form edition of the standard Commercial General Liability Coverage Form (ISO Form CG 00 01) as filed for use in the State of Florida. The Agency shall cause, or cause its contractor or consultant to cause, the Department to be made an Additional Insured as to such insurance. Such coverage shall be on an "occurrence" basis and shall include Products/Completed Operations coverage. The coverage afforded to the Department as an Additional Insured shall be primary as to any other available insurance and shall not be more restrictive than the coverage afforded to the Named Insured. The limits of coverage shall not be less than \$1,000,000 for each occurrence and not less than a \$5,000,000 annual general aggregate, inclusive of amounts provided by an umbrella or excess policy. The limits of coverage described herein shall apply fully to the work or operations performed under this Agreement, and may not be shared with or diminished by claims unrelated to this Agreement. The policy/ies and coverage described herein may be subject to a deductible and such deductibles shall be paid by the Named Insured. No policy/ies or coverage described herein may contain or be subject to a Retention or a Self-Insured Retention unless the Agency is a state agency or subdivision of the State of Florida that elects to self-perform the Project. Prior to the execution of this Agreement, and at all renewal periods which occur prior to final acceptance of the work, the Department shall be provided with an ACORD Certificate of Liability Insurance reflecting the coverage described herein. The Department shall be notified in writing within ten days of any cancellation, notice of cancellation, lapse, renewal, or proposed change to any policy or coverage described herein. The Department's approval or failure to disapprove any policy/ies, coverage, or ACORD Certificates shall not relieve or excuse any obligation to procure and maintain the insurance required herein, nor serve as a waiver of any rights or defenses the Department may have.

- d. When the Agreement involves work on or in the vicinity of utility-owned property or facilities, the utility shall be added along with the Department as an Additional Insured on the Commercial General Liability policy/ies procured above.

19. Miscellaneous:

- a. **Environmental Regulations.** The Agency will be solely responsible for compliance with all applicable environmental regulations and for any liability arising from non-compliance with these regulations, and will reimburse the Department for any loss incurred in connection therewith.
- b. **Non-Admission of Liability.** In no event shall the making by the Department of any payment to the Agency constitute or be construed as a waiver by the Department of any breach of covenant or any default which may then exist on the part of the Agency and the making of such payment by the Department, while any such breach or default shall exist, shall in no way impair or prejudice any right or remedy available to the Department with respect to such breach or default.
- c. **Severability.** If any provision of this Agreement is held invalid, the remainder of this Agreement shall not be affected. In such an instance, the remainder would then continue to conform to the terms and requirements of applicable law.
- d. **Agency not an agent of Department.** The Agency and the Department agree that the Agency, its employees, contractors, subcontractors, consultants, and subconsultants are not agents of the Department as a result of this Agreement.
- e. **Bonus or Commission.** By execution of the Agreement, the Agency represents that it has not paid and, also agrees not to pay, any bonus or commission for the purpose of obtaining an approval of its application for the financing hereunder.

- f. **Non-Contravention of State Law.** Nothing in the Agreement shall require the Agency to observe or enforce compliance with any provision or perform any act or do any other thing in contravention of any applicable state law. If any of the provisions of the Agreement violate any applicable state law, the Agency will at once notify the Department in writing so that appropriate changes and modifications may be made by the Department and the Agency to the end that the Agency may proceed as soon as possible with the Project.
- g. **Execution of Agreement.** This Agreement may be executed in one or more counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original, but all of which shall constitute the same Agreement. A facsimile or electronic transmission of this Agreement with a signature on behalf of a Party will be legal and binding on such Party.
- h. **Inspector General Cooperation.** The Agency agrees to comply with Section 20.055(5), Florida Statutes, and to incorporate in all subcontracts the obligation to comply with Section 20.055(5), Florida Statutes.
- i. **Law, Forum, and Venue.** This Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Florida. In the event of a conflict between any portion of this Agreement and Florida laws, the laws of Florida shall prevail. The Agency agrees to waive forum and venue and agrees that the Department will determine the forum and venue in which any dispute under this Agreement is to be decided.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have executed this Agreement on the day and year written above.

AGENCY

Hernando County

By: [Signature]

Name: John Allocco

Title: Chairman

As approved by the Board on:

DEPARTMENT

STATE OF FLORIDA, DEPARTMENT OF

TRANSPORTATION

By: [Signature] 09/14/2023 | 11:43 AM

Name: Justin Hall

Title: Director of Transportation Development

FDOT Legal Review:

[Signature] 08/10/2023 | 2:38 PM EDT

Legal Review:

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EXHIBIT "A"

Project Description and Responsibilities

A. Project Description (description of Agency's project to provide context, description of project components funded via this Agreement (if not the entire project)): Eastside Roadway Improvements - Rescue Way Extension, American Flyer Way, Railpark Dr, Runway Dr., Rehabilitation

B. Project Scope (allowable costs: describe project components, improvement type/service type, approximate timeline, project schedule, project size): As required by 215.971 F.S., this scope of work includes but is not limited to consultant and design fees; survey costs; permitting; construction inspection and material testing costs; mobilization and demobilization; maintenance of traffic; erosion control; demolition; excavation; embankment; ground preparation; installation of fencing, posts, rails, and gates; sodding; seeding; provisions for electrical and fiber optic systems; signage; and pavement repairs, including all materials, equipment, labor and incidentals required to complete the fencing project per FAA Advisory Circular (AC) 150/5370-10G, Standards for Specifying Construction of Airports, Part 8 (Fencing). The Sponsor will comply with Aviation Program Assurances.

C. Deliverable(s): Tech Center Multi-Modal Project, Eastside roadway improvements including Rescue Way extension, American Flyer Way and Railpark rehabilitation.

The project scope identifies the ultimate project deliverables. Deliverables for requisition, payment and invoice purposes will be the incremental progress made toward completion of project scope elements. Supporting documentation will be quantifiable, measurable, and verifiable, to allow for a determination of the amount of incremental progress that has been made, and provide evidence that the payment requested is commensurate with the accomplished incremental progress and costs incurred by the Agency.

EXHIBIT "B"

SCHEDULE OF STATE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

FUNDS AWARDED TO THE AGENCY PURSUANT TO THIS AGREEMENT AND ANY REQUIRED MATCHING FUNDS CONSIST OF THE FOLLOWING:

A. Fund Type and Fiscal Year:

Financial Management Number	Fund Type	FLAIR Category	State Fiscal Year	Object Code	CSFA Number	CSFA Title	Funding Amount
450703-1-94-01	GR24	088719	2024	751000	55.004	Aviation Grant Program	\$2,900,000.00
							\$
Total Financial Assistance							\$

B. Estimate of Project Costs by Grant Phase:

Phases*	State	Local	Federal	Totals	State %	Local %	Federal %
Environmental/Design/Construction	\$2,900,000.00	\$	\$	\$2,900,000	100.00		
	\$	\$	\$	\$			
	\$	\$	\$	\$			
	\$	\$	\$	\$			
	\$	\$	\$	\$			
	\$	\$	\$	\$			
Totals	\$2,900,000.00	\$	\$	\$2,900,000.00			

* List the phases applicable to the Project subject of this Agreement, e.g.: Land Acquisition, Planning, Environmental/Design/Construction, Capital Equipment, Match to Direct Federal Funding, and Mobility Management.

BUDGET/COST ANALYSIS CERTIFICATION AS REQUIRED BY SECTION 216.3475, FLORIDA STATUTES:

I certify that the cost for each line item budget category (grant phase) has been evaluated and determined to be allowable, reasonable, and necessary as required by Section 216.3475, Florida Statutes. Documentation is on file evidencing the methodology used and the conclusions reached.

Raymond Clark

Department (Grant Manager Name)

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Raymond Clark

Signature

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Date

Reimbursements will only be provided for expenditures in the above referenced categories that are allowable under applicable law and are directly related to the services authorized by this Agreement.

Invoices for costs eligible for reimbursement under this Agreement must be supported by an itemized listing of expenditures by category. Supporting documentation must be provided for each item for which reimbursement is being requested that includes documentation indicating that the item has been paid. The documentation must also note the date each service was performed.

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EXHIBIT C
AGENCY RESOLUTION
PLEASE SEE ATTACHED

STATE OF FLORIDA, DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
STATE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE AGREEMENT

EXHIBIT C

RESOLUTION 2023-172

WHEREAS, the Hernando County Board of County Commissioners (Agency) and the State of Florida Department of Transportation (Department) have agreed to participate jointly in the funding of the following project, to wit:

**Eastside Roadway Improvements –
Rescue Way Extension, American Flyer Way, Railpark Dr., Runway Dr. Rehabilitation**

WHEREAS, the Department has agreed to funding as depicted in Exhibit "B" of the State Financial Assistance Agreement associated with the described activities as follows:

FPN No. 45346219401 \$2,900,000

WHEREAS, the Agency and Department have agreed to enter into a State Financial Assistance Agreement in the form attached hereto.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HERNANDO COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. The execution by Hernando County Board of County Commissioners (Agency) of the State Financial Assistance Agreement is hereby approved and authorized.

SECTION 2. The Chairperson of the Hernando County Board of County Commissioners is hereby authorized to execute and sign the attached State Financial Assistance Agreement.

ADOPTED in Regular Session this 12th day of September, 2023 A.D.

ATTEST:
(SEAL)



BY: Heidi Kupper, D.C.
for Doug Chorvat Jr., Clerk

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
HERNANDO COUNTY, FLORIDA**

[Signature]
John Allocco, Chairman

**APPROVED AS TO FORM
AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY**
BY: [Signature]
County Attorney's Office

EXHIBIT "D"

AUDIT REQUIREMENTS FOR AWARDS OF STATE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

THE STATE RESOURCES AWARDED PURSUANT TO THIS AGREEMENT CONSIST OF THE FOLLOWING:

SUBJECT TO SECTION 215.97, FLORIDA STATUTES:

Awarding Agency: Florida Department of Transportation
State Project Title: Aviation Grant Program
CSFA Number: 55.004
Award Amount: \$2,900,000

Specific project information for CSFA Number is provided at:
<https://apps.fldfs.com/fsaa/searchCatalog.aspx>

COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS APPLICABLE TO STATE RESOURCES AWARDED PURSUANT TO THIS AGREEMENT:

State Project Compliance Requirements for CSFA Number are provided at:
<https://apps.fldfs.com/fsaa/searchCompliance.aspx>

The State Projects Compliance Supplement is provided at: <https://apps.fldfs.com/fsaa/compliance.aspx>