

Meeting Name: Town Council Meeting

Meeting Date: April 24, 2024

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Item Title: 2024 Safe Streets and Roads for All Grant Application

DISCUSSION:

The Town of Juno Beach has successfully partnered with RMPK Funding (RMPK) for decades securing millions of dollars for the Town of Juno Beach in grant funding. RMPK is a local company that specializes in obtaining alternative funding for communities just like Juno Beach. Due to their vast knowledge and experience in grant writing and the various grant programs, each program unique in their requirements, they have secured over \$185 million in funding for municipal communities. RMPK is familiar with the requirements of the "2024 Safe Streets and Roads for All Grant" (SS4A) program. RMPK has assisted their grantees in receiving 14 grand awards in the last 2 grant application cycles which translates to a 100% success rate for this program.

A representative from the Transportation Planning Agency (TPA) contacted staff and invited us to participate in a SS4A webinar. The webinar provided information to municipalities to further the campaign and goal of the "Vision Zero" plan which the Juno Beach Town Council adopted as Resolution 2022-08 in August 2022. Once a community adopts the "Vision Zero" plan the next step is to create an "Action Plan". The Action Plan would then identify projects that can be implemented to further carry out the Vision Zero mission of zero deaths and serous injuries on our roadways. The Action Plan helps the TPA and the community by providing more timely and effective recommendations for high-crash areas and by documenting potentially unsafe locations and conditions.

This grant requires a 20% match with a minimum request of \$100,000. The state would provide \$100,000 and the Town would match the grant with a \$20,000 local contribution to create an Action Plan unique to the Town. RMPK Funding would perform all tasks necessary to submit a complete grant application to the state by May 16, 2024, which is the grant application deadline, for a fee of \$2,500.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends the Council consider a motion to enter into an agreement with RMPK Funding to apply for the 2024 Safe Streets and Roads for All Grant in the amount of \$2,500 from contingency and authorize the Town Manager to execute all grant documents as necessary.

ATTACHMENTS:

RMPK proposal for grant writing services