

Meeting Name: Town Council Meeting

Meeting Date: April 24, 2024

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Item Title: 2024 Historic Preservation Small Matching Grant Application

DISCUSSION:

The Town of Juno Beach has successfully partnered with RMPK Funding (RMPK) for decades securing millions of dollars for the Town 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 parameters and requirements of the "2024 Historic Preservation Small Matching Grant" program and has a 100% success rate of receiving funds for their applicants for this specific program.

The purpose of the Small Matching Grant is to assist in the identification of historic sites in Florida and to encourage historic preservation in smaller cities. Eligible projects include "Survey Projects". A survey project would involve identifying and assessing historic structures in an area that are greater than 50 years old and have a demonstrated significance to the community and its rich history within the identified project area. Funding from this grant will encourage historic preservation in Juno Beach and provide public information.

This grant is a 1:1 match with a maximum request of up to \$50,000 provided by the state and a \$50,000 local contribution, but a lesser amount can be requested in the application. RMPK Funding would perform all tasks necessary to submit a complete grant application to the state by June 1, 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 Historic Preservation Small Matching 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