



Meeting Name: Planning & Zoning Board Meeting
Meeting Date: September 16, 2024
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Item Title: Kagan Park- Florida Recreation Development Assistance Program (FRDAP) Application

DISCUSSION:

At the June 2024 council meeting, the Juno Beach Town Council approved the application process for a Florida Recreation Development Assistance Program (FRDAP) grant to renovate the children's playground equipment at Kagan Park in the amount of \$150,000. This grant will require a local match of 25% or \$37,500 with the state providing 75% or \$112,000.

Grant applications are being accepted by the state for FY2024/25 and are due by September 30, 2024. The grant provides additional points to the applicant when the application process is brought before an advisory board for review and the newly formed Audit Oversight Committee fulfills that requirement. The state does not require any action be taken by the committee; this serves as a discussion item.

Kagan Park offers the residents of Juno Beach many recreational amenities including children's playground equipment, adult exercise equipment, a bocce ball court and a basketball court. The Town has been a recipient of multiple FRDAP grants for decades and has used these grant dollars to renovate most if not all of the equipment and amenities. The children's playground equipment was replaced in 2006 utilizing FRDAP funds and was again renovated in 2017 with FRDAP funds. The children's playground equipment has recently had sections replaced due to deterioration. The playground is inspected monthly to ensure the safety of the equipment.

The FRDAP application and approval process generally takes about a year. The Governor signs the state budget in July which determines which grants are funded. The Town, should we be approved for the project, would start the process to renovate the park in the fall of 2025 once the agreement between the state and the town has been executed. The project must be completed within 3 years of the award.