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**Meeting Name:** Audit Oversight Committee  
**Meeting Date:** September 24, 2024  
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**Item Title:** Update on Kagan Park FRDAP Grant

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**BACKGROUND:**

On September 16, the Florida Recreation Development Assistance Program (FRDAP) Grant for Kagan Park was read at the Planning & Zoning Board Meeting. The purpose of presenting the overview of the grant application during a Public Hearing is required throughout the application process.

The Audit Oversight Committee was scheduled to hear the grant at their August meeting but due to the meeting being canceled/postponed, the item was moved to be heard at the Planning & Zoning Board meeting due to time constraints.

Although the grant applications are due by September 30, 2024, the preparation time that RMPK needs to complete the application packet is approximately two weeks.

**DISCUSSION:**

This FRDAP grant is to assist in renovating the children's playground equipment at Kagan Park. It will require a local match of 25% (\$37,500) with the state providing 75% (\$112,000) for a total amount of \$150,000. The Town has been a recipient of multiple FRDAP grants in the past and has utilized the grant dollars to renovate most if not all the equipment and amenities in Kagan Park.

Kagan Park offers the residents of Juno Beach many recreational amenities such as a basketball court, exercise equipment, bocce ball court, etc. Recently, parts of the playground equipment had been replaced due to deterioration. The playground is inspected monthly to ensure the safety of the equipment.

In conclusion, the application and approval process take approximately about a year to complete. The Governor then signs the state budget in July which determines which grants are funded. If the Town receives approval of the grant, the process to renovate the park would have a proposed start date in Fall of 2025 and must be completed within a three-year timeframe per the award.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends that the Committee review the memorandum and ask staff if they have any additional questions.