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**Mayor Alan Fiers**

Town of Palm Beach Shores  
247 Edwards Lane  
Palm Beach Shores, FL 33404

**Re: Palm Beach Inlet Dredge Project – Inter-Local Agreement**

Dear Mayor Fries,

On Wednesday, November 6, 2024, the Inter-Local Agreement between the Town of Lake Park and the Town of Palm Beach Shores was presented to our Commission. Following a thorough review and discussion, the Commission requested additional information to ensure a comprehensive understanding of the proposed work under this agreement.

To aid in this review, we respectfully seek clarification on the following points:

**1. Grant Funding Details (Agreement, Page 1, Second Recital)**

- The agreement references two secured grants by the Town of Palm Beach Shores "to pay for dredging" of the navigable channel:
  - **State of Florida Grant** – \$1,000,000
  - **Florida Inland Navigation District (FIND) Grant** – \$3,500,000
    - a) **Question:** Are both grants fully executed?
    - b) **Question:** Do the grant funds cover additional costs associated with on-loading, transporting, and off-loading the fill material from Peanut Island to Lake Park?

**2. Provision of Fill Material (Page 2, Item 2)**

- This section specifies that Palm Beach Shores will be responsible for securing, storing, and dewatering the fill material. It also states that Palm Beach Shores must obtain legal authorization from Palm Beach County to store and dewater fill material on Peanut Island and provide proof of such authorization to Lake Park. Furthermore, Palm Beach Shores is required to ensure, through FIND, that it has the authority to convey the fill material from the Dredging Project to Lake Park.
  - a) **Question:** Has Palm Beach Shores secured legal permission from Palm Beach County to store and dewater the fill material on Peanut Island?
  - b) **Question:** If permission has been obtained, is there a stipulated duration for which the fill material can remain on Peanut Island before removal is required?

**3. Additional Project-Related Inquiries**

- a) **Question:** Is there a specified performance period for the project within the grant agreements (i.e., start and completion dates)?



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- b) **Question:** Have the required permits for the project been approved and issued?
- c) **Question:** Is there an anticipated project start date?
- d) **Question:** Is there a current and updated Engineer's Cost Estimate for the dredging project?

Thank you for your attention to these matters. We look forward to your responses to facilitate further discussion and collaboration on this important project.

Sincerely,

  
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