



April 20, 2023

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RE: Urban County Qualification Process FYs 2024 - 2026

Dear Mr. Lucas:

On August 19, 2014, the Board of County Commissioners (BCC) executed an interlocal cooperation agreement (R2014-1164) and amended August 25, 2020 (R2020-1217) with the City of Pahokee as part of the Urban County Qualification Process for Federal Fiscal Years 2015-2017. Under this Agreement, the City of Pahokee agreed to participate with the County in the creation of the Urban County Program jurisdiction for the receipt of federal community development funds from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

The Agreement states, "*The agreement shall be automatically renewed at the end of the qualification period and at the end of each subsequent qualification period unless either party provides a written notice in which it elects to not participate in a new qualification period.*" The current three year qualifying period will expire on September 30, 2024 and will require your renewal to cover the October 1, 2024 to September 30, 2027 time period.

In order to continue participation in the Urban County Program and renew the Agreement, please execute the enclosed four (4) copies of the amendment to our interlocal cooperation agreement, and return them to HED no later than May 19, 2023. This is necessary because HUD has amended one of the clauses in the original agreement to promote adherence to regulations pertaining to non-discrimination in HUD programs or activities receiving Federal Financial Assistance.

In addition, please provide written confirmation of your continued participation in the Urban County Program utilizing the enclosed letter template. Please send your letter to the PBC Department of Housing and Economic Development, and also to HUD's Miami Field Office addressed as follows:

Lisa Johnson, Director
Community Planning & Development Division
U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development
909 SE 1st Avenue, Room 500
Miami, FL 33131



Please contact Sheila Brown, Senior Planner, at (561) 233-3688 or sabrown@pbcgov.org, if you have any questions concerning this letter.

Sincerely,

Jonathan Brown

Jonathan B. Brown, Director
Department of Housing and Economic Development

Enclosures

CC: Tijauna Warner, City Clerk, City of Pahokee
Sherry Howard, Deputy Director, PBC HED
Carlos Serrano, SPO Director, PBC HED

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100 S. Australian Avenue, Suite 500
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Re: Palm Beach County Urban County Qualification FYs 2024-2027
Participation by City / Town / Village

Dear Ms. Johnson:

The purpose of this letter is to confirm the City/Town/Village agreement to continue to participate in Palm Beach County's Urban County Program for Fiscal Years 2024-2027

If you have questions, please contact the City/Town/Village at XXX@XXXXXX or by telephone (XXX) XXX-XXXX. You may also contact Sheila Brown, Senior Planner, Palm Beach County at (561) 233-3688 or sabrown@pbcgov.org.

Sincerely,

XXXXXXX, Title
City / Town / Village

cc: Jill Smolen, CPD Representative, US HUD
Jonathan Brown, Director, PBC HED
Sherry Howard, Deputy Director, PBC HED
Carlos Serrano, SPO Director, PBC HED

AMENDMENT 002 TO THE AGREEMENT WITH CITY OF PAHOKEE

Amendment 002, effective as of _____, by and between **Palm Beach County** (County), and the **City of Pahokee** (Municipality).

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, Palm Beach County entered into an Interlocal Cooperation Agreement (R2014-1164) (the "Agreement") with the Municipality on August 19, 2014, to formalize the Municipality's participation in the urban county qualification process for Federal Fiscal Years 2014, 2016, and 2017, and amended August 25, 2020 (R2020-1217) (the "Amendment"); and

WHEREAS, the Agreement is automatically renewed every three years at the end of the qualification period and is now due for renewal; and

WHEREAS, the Amendment provided for revised specific language as requested by the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD); and

WHEREAS, HUD has expressed in its most recent Instructions for Urban County Participation in Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program for FY 2024-2026 that all interlocal agreements should contain specific language; and

WHEREAS, the Agreements between Palm Beach County and the municipalities participating in the urban county program did not contain this specific language; and

WHEREAS, both parties desire to amend the Agreement, and Amended to comply with HUD's requirements.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants and agreements hereinafter set forth, and various other good and valuable considerations, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the parties hereto agree as follows:

The foregoing recitals are true and correct and incorporated herein by reference. Terms not defined herein shall have the same meaning as ascribed to them in the Agreement.

A. DELETE THE FOLLOWING CLAUSE 11:

The Municipality and the County shall take all actions necessary to assure compliance with the County's certification required by Section 104(b) of Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, regarding Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, the Fair Housing Act, and affirmatively furthering fair housing. The Municipality and the County shall comply with Section 109 of Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, which incorporates Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, Section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968, and other applicable laws. The County shall not fund any activities in, or in support of, the Municipality should the Municipality not affirmatively further fair housing within its jurisdiction or should the Municipality impede the County's actions to comply with the County's fair housing certification.

B. REPLACE DELETED CLAUSE WITH REVISED CLAUSE 11:

The Municipality and the County shall take all actions necessary to assure compliance with the County's certification required by Section 104(b) of Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, regarding Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, and the implementing regulations at 24 CFR part 1, the Fair Housing Act, and the implementing regulations at 24 CFR part 100, and affirmatively furthering fair housing. The Municipality and the County shall comply with Section 109 of Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, and the implementing regulations at 24 CFR part 6, which incorporates Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, and the

implementing regulations at 24 CFR part 8, Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act, and the implementing regulations at 28 CFR part 35, the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, and the implementing regulations at 24 CFR part 146, Section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968, and other applicable laws. The County shall not fund any activities in, or in support of, the Municipality should the Municipality not affirmatively further fair housing within its jurisdiction or should the Municipality impede the County's actions to comply with the County's fair housing certification. The Municipality agrees to sign the assurances and certifications in the HUD 424-B.

IN WITNESS HEREOF, the Municipality and the County have caused this Amendment 002 to be executed on the date first written above:

(MUNICIPAL SEAL BELOW)

**CITY OF PAHOKEE, a
municipality duly organized and existing by
virtue of the laws of the State of Florida**

ATTEST:

By: _____
Keith W. Babb, Jr., Mayor

By: _____
Tijauna L. Warner, City Clerk

By: _____
Rodney D. Lucas, City Manager

(COUNTY SEAL BELOW)

**PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA, a
Political Subdivision of the State of Florida

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

ATTEST: JOSEPH ABRUZZO,
Clerk of the Circuit Court & Comptroller

By: _____
Gregg K. Weiss, Mayor

By: _____
Deputy Clerk

Document No.: _____

Approved as to Form and
Legal Sufficiency

Approved as to Terms and Conditions
Dept. of Housing and Economic Sustainability

By: _____
Howard J. Falcon, III,
Chief Assistant County Attorney

By: _____
Sherry Howard
Deputy Director