

PALM BEACH COUNTY
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

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Meeting Date: August 19, 2025	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Consent	<input type="checkbox"/> Regular
Department: Palm Tran	<input type="checkbox"/> Ordinance	<input type="checkbox"/> Public Hearing

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I. EXECUTIVE BRIEF

Motion and Title: Staff recommends motion to:

- A) adopt** a resolution of the Board of County Commissioners (BCC) of Palm Beach County (County), Florida, approving the submission of the Fiscal Year 2026 Section 5311, Formula Grants for Rural Areas Program (CFDA 20.509) grant application in the amount of \$350,000 to partially offset the operational costs for the Go Glades Service, as administered by the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT); and
- B) authorize** the Mayor of the Board of County Commissioners (BCC) to execute the grant application, supporting documents, and assurances.


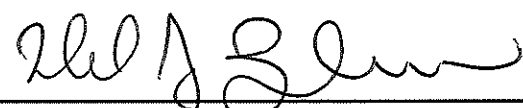
Summary: FDOT has notified Palm Tran of the availability of Section 5311 grant funds for mass transit operating assistance in non-urbanized areas. If awarded, the grant will partially offset the operating costs of the Go Glades service. The application is for \$350,000 in grant funds, which requires a **local match of 50% or \$350,000** for a total project cost of \$700,000. **The grant match is included in Palm Tran’s proposed FY 2026 Budget.**

The grant application requires broader indemnification by the County than that approved by PPM CW-F-049. The resulting grant agreement will require the County and its officers, agents, or employees to indemnify, defend, and hold harmless FDOT and all of its officers, agents, and employees from any claim, loss, damage, cost, charge, or expense arising out of the County’s non-compliance or performance of this agreement. The indemnification obligation must also be passed on to contractors and/or consultants. The Risk Management Department and County Attorney’s Office have reviewed the indemnification requirements of this grant and advised staff accordingly. Given that liability is limited to the County’s non-compliance or performance of this agreement and the statutory caps of Section 768.28, Florida Statutes, staff recommends BCC approval. Countywide (MM)

Background and Justification: FDOT has been designated by Florida’s Governor to administer the Section 5311 Formula Grants for Rural Areas Program. Objectives of the funding for intercity bus service is to support the connection between rural areas and the larger regional or national system of intercity bus service. Additionally, it provides support services to meet the intercity travel needs of residents in rural areas and supports the infrastructure of the intercity bus network. This is an annual formula-based grant.

- Attachments:**
- 1. Resolutions (2 copies)
 - 2. Section 5311 Grant Application Packet (2)

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Recommended By:		8/12/2025
	Executive Director	Date
Approved By:		8/14/25
	Assistant County Administrator	Date

II. FISCAL IMPACT ANALYSIS

A. Five Year Summary of Fiscal Impact:

Fiscal Years	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029
Capital Expenditures					
Operating Costs		\$700,000			
External Revenues		(\$350,000)			
Program Income(County)					
In-Kind Match(County					
NET FISCAL IMPACT		\$350,000			
#ADDITIONAL FTE					
POSITIONS (CUMULATIVE					

Is Item Included in Current Budget?

☐Yes☒No

Is this item using Federal Funds?

☒Yes☐No

Is this item using State Funds?

☐Yes☒No

Budget Account No:

Fund

Dept

Unit

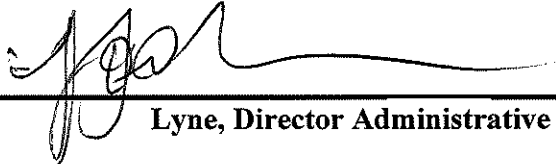
Object

Program

B. Recommended Sources of Funds/Summary of Fiscal Impact:

If the Grant is awarded, the required match will be met using ad-valorem funded expenses in 1340-540-5050 (FDU). FDOT will issue a grant agreement that will be submitted for BCC Execution and the budget will be amended to recognize the award.

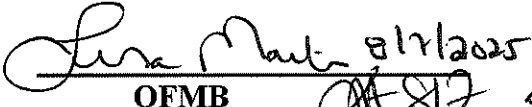
C. Departmental Fiscal Review:



Lyne, Director Administrative Services

III. REVIEW COMMENTS:

A. OFMB Fiscal and/or Contract Dev. and Control Comments:




OFMB

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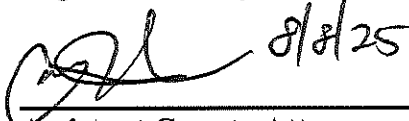
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Contract Dev. & Control

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B. Legal Sufficiency



Assistant County Attorney

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C. Other Department Review

Department Director

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