



## **City of Boynton Beach Agenda Item Request Form**

**Meeting Date:** 10/ 7/2025

**Proposed Resolution No. R25-274- Authorizing the City to apply for the 2024 Community Forestry Capacity Grant offered by the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services in the amount of \$50,000, and if awarded, execute all future documents associated with the grant, subject to the approval of the City Attorney.**

**Requested Action:** Staff recommends approval of Proposed Resolution No. R25-274.

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### **Explanation of Request:**

As part of the U.S. Forest Service Urban and Community Forestry Matching Grant Program, the City of Boynton Beach will apply for funding to support its urban forestry initiative. The grant program provides a 50-50 matching grant (50% federal- 50% applicant) to local governments for the development or enhancement of community forestry programs.

The City of Boynton Beach will apply for funding to support its Forestry Initiative under one of the five eligible categories of the grant: Public Tree Canopy Improvement (Tree Planting), Public Tree Inventory or Urban Tree Canopy Assessment, Urban Forest Management Planning, Urban Forestry Information and Education, or the Development of Municipal Tree Nurseries to increase the availability of biodiverse species for public tree canopy improvement projects. The City will request funding in the amount of \$50,000. The application is due on October 20, 2025.

### **How will this affect city programs or services?**

This project will enhance the City's environmental sustainability and beautification programs by expanding the urban tree canopy, improving air quality, and providing shade in public spaces. It will also support the City's long-term goals for climate resilience and community well-being, while promoting education and awareness of the importance of urban forestry.

**Account Line Item and Description:** Grant account.  
Budget Account: 131-2419-559.31-90 (50%match)

### **Fiscal Impact:**

The 2024 Community Forestry Capacity Grant offered by the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services is expected to fund \$50,000 for the total project. City fiscal

impact of \$50,000.

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**Attachments:**

[R25-274 Agenda\\_Item\\_3805-](#)

[2025\\_Resolution\\_for\\_2024\\_Community\\_Forestry\\_Capacity\\_Grant \(1\).docx](#)

[Attachment 1-NOFFA 24 Community Forestry Capacity Grants.pdf](#)

[Atachment 2- 24 Community Forestry Capacity Grant Application.pdf](#)