



FM-3-546

GRANT AGREEMENT

BETWEEN

SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL

AND

Town of Aynor, SC

This Agreement by and between the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control (DHEC) and Town of Aynor, SC (Recipient) a municipality existing under the laws of South Carolina, is to provide for the distribution of funds \$650,000 (the Funds) appropriated in 2022 Act 239, Part 1B, Proviso 118.19 (83) J040 (a).

The parties agree as follows:

A. STATEMENT OF PURPOSE:

The purpose of the Agreement is to provide funding to the Aynor Stormwater Project. This Agreement furthers DHEC's statutory mission as authorized in South Carolina Code Section 48-39-10 to 48-39-360 and serves the public purpose of **environmental protections and conservation.**

B. SCOPE OF SERVICES:

The Recipient shall utilize the funds for the activities and services (The Aynor Stormwater Project) as outlined in the attached Earmarked Appropriations Disbursement Request Form (Exhibit 1) as completed with supporting documents, which will be incorporated into this Agreement upon acceptance and approval under Paragraph D.

C. TERM:

This Agreement shall be effective upon signature, calendar year 2022 and shall terminate on June 30, 2023. Recipient's obligations under this Agreement shall survive termination.

D. **PAYMENT:**

1. Recipient shall submit a written request for payment not to exceed **\$650,000** and shall include with the request the information on the attached Earmarked Appropriations Disbursement Request Form (Exhibit I), including the following as required by **Proviso 117.21** and DHEC:
 - a. An accounting of how the Funds will be spent (Planned Expenditure Summary),
 - b. Goals to be accomplished, and
 - c. Proposed measures to evaluate success in implementing and meeting the goals.
*(Per Proviso **117.21** no funds shall be released until the required plan of how the state funds will be spent and how the expenditures will provide a public benefit are filed with the agency.*
2. Upon acceptance and approval by DHEC, the request for payment will be incorporated into and made a part of this Agreement.
3. Recipient must register with SCEIS as a vendor and provide vendor information on the request for payment.
4. If applicable the recipient shall provide proof that they are currently registered with the SC Secretary of State.
5. Payment is contingent on DHEC's receipt of Funds.
6. Upon receipt and review and approval of the Planned Expenditure Summary, Funds Budget, and financial statements, DHEC will transmit the funds to Recipient by check delivered to:

**John Gardner, Mayor
Tony Godsey, Town Manager
Town of Aynor
600 South Main Street
PO Box 66
Aynor, SC 29511**

7. Source of Funds: State funds made available in the FY2022 Appropriations Act from **state funds** as a nonrecurring distribution per legislative direction, effective July 1, 2022. DHEC's Point of Contact for financial information regarding payments made under this Agreement:

**Bruce C. Busbee, Director
Budgets and Financial Planning
SCDHEC
2600 Bull Street
Columbia, South Carolina, 29201**

E. REPORTING REQUIREMENTS: AUDITS:

1. By **June 30, 2023**, Recipient shall submit to DHEC a report containing a detailed accounting of its use of the Funds, the services completed, and the outcome measures used to determine the success of the stated goals in sufficient detail for DHEC to determine Recipient's compliance with the Scope of Services set forth in Paragraph B above. See Exhibit (**Quarterly Expenditure Report**) an expected completion date by which it anticipates all funds will have been spent. Recipient shall also submit a final report with this information within 90 days after project completion or exhaustion of Funds.
2. Recipient shall submit to DHEC by **June 30, 2023**, a detailed statement explaining the nature and function of its organization as well as a detailed statement explaining the use that was made of the Funds (**using attached template(s)**).
3. Recipient will allow the State Auditor to audit or cause to be audited the Funds.

F. PREVENTING AND REPORTING FRAUD, WASTE AND ABUSE:

1. DHEC has procedures and policies concerning the prevention and reporting of fraud, waste, and abuse (FWA) in agency-funded programs, including but not limited to those funded by federal grants such as Medicaid. No agency employee, agent, or Recipient shall direct, participate in, approve, or tolerate any violation of federal or State laws regarding FWA in government programs.
2. Federal law prohibits any person or company from knowingly submitting false or fraudulent claims or statements to a federally funded program, including false claims for payment or conspiracy to get such a claim approved or paid. The False Claims Act, 31 U.S.C. §3729-3733, and other "whistleblower" statutes include remedies for employees who are retaliated against in their employment for reporting violations of the Act or for reporting fraud, waste, abuse, or violations of law in connection with federal contracts or grants, or danger to public health or safety. Under State law, persons may be criminally prosecuted for false claims made for health care benefits, for Medicaid fraud, for insurance fraud, or for using a computer in a fraud scheme or to obtain money or services by false representations.
3. If Recipient or Recipient's agents or employees have reason to suspect FWA in DHEC programs, this information should be reported in confidence to DHEC. A report may be made by writing to the Office of Internal Audits, DHEC, 2600 Bull Street, Columbia, SC 29201; or by calling the DHEC Fraud, Waste and Abuse Hotline at 803-896-0650 or toll-free at 1-866-206-5202. Recipient is required to inform Recipient's employees of the existence of DHEC's policy prohibiting FWA and the procedures for reporting FWA to the agency. Recipient must also inform recipient's employees, in writing, of their rights and remedies under 41 U.S.C. §4712 concerning reporting FWA or violations of law in connection with federal contracts or grants, or danger to public health or safety, in the predominant native language of the workforce.

- G. **USE OF FUNDS:** Recipient will not use, expend, or allow use or expenditure of the Funds for any purpose not authorized in and consistent with this Agreement. Unexpended funds distributed pursuant to this Agreement may be carried forward to succeeding fiscal years and expended for the same purposes. Recipient shall continue the reporting and monitoring required under this Agreement until all Funds are spent.
- H. **RETURN OF FUNDS:** The State of South Carolina reserves the right to all remedies available to it under law for the enforcement of this Agreement including but not limited to the right to demand repayment of any Funds that remain unused at completion of the project or that were used for purposes not authorized in this Agreement.
- I. **NON-DISCRIMINATION:** Recipient represents and agrees that it does not and will not practice discrimination, or use the Funds for purposes which discriminate, against persons by virtue of race, religion, color, sex, age, national origin, disability, veteran status, pregnancy, gender identity, sexual orientation, or any other basis prohibited by law.
- J. **RECORDKEEPING:** Recipient shall create and maintain adequate records to document all matters covered by this Agreement. Recipient shall retain all such records for six (6) years or other longer period required by law after termination, cancellation, or expiration of the Agreement or after final expenditure of Funds, whichever is later, and make records available for inspection, copying, and audit by DHEC or other authorized agent of the State. If any litigation, claim, or audit has begun but is not completed or if audit findings have not been resolved at the end of the retention period, the records shall be retained until all litigation, claims, or audit findings involving the Funds have been resolved.
- K. **REVISIONS OF LAW:** The provisions of the Agreement are subject to revision of state or federal statutes and regulations and requirements governing (name of grant, etc.).
- L. **PUBLIC INFORMATION:** All information relating to distribution and use of the Funds, including all reports and documentation submitted to DHEC under this Agreement, is subject to public disclosure under the South Carolina Freedom of Information Act and may be published on DHEC's internet web site.
- M. **ATTACHMENTS:** Attachments to this Agreement are incorporated into and made part of this Agreement.

SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF
HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL

RECIPIENT NAME

BY: Bruce C. Busbee
Bruce C. Busbee

BY: Tony Godsey, Jr.
[Town Manager]

Tony Godsey, Jr.

Director of Budgets and Financial
Planning

DATE: 10/28/2022

DATE: 11/9/2022

MAILING ADDRESS: PO Box 66
Aynor SC, 29511

MAILING ADDRESS:
SC DHEC - Office of Budgets and Financial
Planning
2600 Bull Street
Columbia, SC 29201
Phone: 803-898-3388
Fax: 803-253-7637

Phone: (843) 358-6231_
Fax: (843) 358-0754_
Email: t.godsey@townofaynor.net...
REMITTANCE ADDRESS: (if applicable)

TAX/EMPLOYER ID# 57-6006209

TYPE OF ENTITY (check one):

- Corporation
- LLC
- Partnership
- Nonprofit organization
- Government agency or political subdivision
- specify State if not SC:

- Other Governmental body (specify)
Municipality
- Individual/sole proprietor
- Other (specify)

If a corporation or LLC:
State of incorporation/organization:

Registered agent and address in South
Carolina

SCDLLR or other license#

THIS AGREEMENT IS NOT OFFICIAL AND
BINDING UNTIL SIGNED BY THE DHEC
CONTRACTS MANAGER



Francine Miller
DHEC Contracts Manager

DATE: 11-14-22

**State of South Carolina Request for Contribution Distribution**

This form is designed to collect the information required by South Carolina in accordance with Proviso 117.21 of the appropriations act of 2022 and Executive Order 2022-19. This form must be submitted to the state agency that is providing the contribution for the designated organization. The state agency providing the contribution should use this form to collect information from the designated organization. The information must be collected from the designated organization before the funds can be disbursed.

Amount	State Agency Providing the Contribution	Purpose
\$650,000.00	SC DHEC	Aynor Town Park Improvements

Designated Organization Information	
Entity Name	Town of Aynor
Address	PO Box 66 / 600 S Main St
City/State/Zip	Aynor, SC 29511
Website	townofaynor.net
Tax ID #	57-6006209
Entity Type	Municipality
Vendor #	7000050296

State Agency Providing Contribution Information	
Contact Name	Laurie Smith
Position/Title	Town Clerk
Telephone	843-358-4231
Email	townofaynor@sccostat.net

Description	Amount	Explanation
Engineering Plan	\$80,000.00	
Construction	\$570,000.00	
Grand Total	\$650,000.00	

The Town of Aynor saw tremendous localized flooding from 2012-2018. An engineering firm was hired to do a comprehensive study and provide the town with a Stormwater Master Plan. The Town was divided into a North section and South section due to the way water flows. The North section drainage improvements were completed in 2020. The South side consists of 7 regions or points of interest. A project of this scale will greatly improve quality of life for residents as property owners not having to deal with mosquitoes from standing water conditions. Right of ways will be safer to pedestrians as many currently walk in the roadways due to conditions. Grass and plant materials will be easier to maintain to protect ditches from caving in. A proper drainage system will also allow for future commercial and residential development.

- 1) Organization hereby gives assurance that no person shall, upon the grounds of race, creed, color, or national origin, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefit of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination under any program or activity for which this organization is responsible.
- 2) Organization certifies that it will provide quarterly spending reports to the Agency Providing Contribution listed above.
- 3) Organization certifies that it will provide an accounting at the end of the fiscal year to the Agency Providing Contribution listed above.
- 4) Organization certifies that it will allow the State Auditor to audit or cause to be audited the contributed funds.


 Organization Signature

Tony Godsey, Jr.
 Printed Name

Town Manager
 Title

10-23-2022
 Date

- Certification of State Agency Providing Contribution*
- 1) State Agency certifies that the planned expenditure aligns with the Agency's mission and/or the purpose specified in the appropriations act of 2022.
 - 2) State Agency certifies that the Organization has set forth a public purpose to be served through receipt of the expenditure.
 - 3) State Agency certifies that it will make distributions directly to the organization.
 - 4) State Agency certifies that it will provide the quarterly spending reports and accounting received from the organization to the Senate Finance Committee, House Ways and Means Committee, and the Executive Budget Office by June 30, 2023.
 - 5) State Agency certifies that it will publish on their website any and all reports, accountings, forms, updates, communications, or other materials required by Proviso 117.21 of the appropriations act of 2022.
 - 6) State Agency will certify to the Office of the Governor that it has complied with the requirements of Executive Order 2022-19 by June 30, 2023.


 Agency Head Signature

Edward Simme
 Printed Name

11-15-2022
 Date