

WEST OCALA CRA SUBAREA COMMERCIAL ~~BUILDING-PROPERTY~~ IMPROVEMENT GRANT PROGRAM SUMMARY 3/19/18 April 2025

Eligible Area	<p>West Ocala CRA See Map.</p> <p>Target Area Priorities in West Ocala CRA – <u>Priorities</u> 1st = SR 40 corridor; 2nd = US 27 east of NW 27th Ave; US 441; 3rd = all other areas</p>
Eligible Businesses	New & existing businesses; Retail, office, industrial, general business & non-profit organizations
Eligible applicant	Property owner or business owner
Eligible Building Type	<p><u>1. Existing buildings</u> only</p> <p><u>2. New construction</u></p>
Eligible Property Type	Taxable ad valorem properties only. Properties must be in one of the following <u>Zoning Districts</u> <u>allowing for commercial uses such as—</u> <u>Business, Manufacturing, or Office.</u>
Ineligible Properties	Tax delinquent property; property in litigation; property in condemnation or receivership; property or tenants with outstanding financial obligations to City require City Council approval
Eligible work	<p><u>Priority work elements are:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Vacant bldg. being converted to active use 2. ADA Accessibility 3. Removal of bars from doors & windows 4. Security systems incl. lighting, cameras and fencing 5. Façade improvements (visible from street) incl. doors, windows and signage 6. Demolitions 7. <u>Creation of new surface parking lot</u> 7-8. <u>New construction (On vacant property)</u>
Ineligible work	<p>Grant cannot be used to correct outstanding code violations in an active code enforcement case.</p> <p>Routine maintenance procedures, such as painting or minor repairs to existing materials alone, may not be eligible for a grant, but will be eligible as a component of a larger project.</p> <p>Only work begun <u>after</u> approval by the Ocala CRA (CRA) will be eligible for a grant. Work in progress or performed before approval will not be eligible.</p> <p>Reroofing,</p>

Maximum Grant	\$15,000 <u>\$50,000</u>
Required Match	3:1; City (75%) – Applicant (25%)
Design Guidelines	See attached
Ineligible Businesses	<p>The following business do not fit the vision for the West Ocala CRA and Community Plan and as such are not eligible for the grant.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adult Oriented Businesses • Tattoo Parlors / Shops • Bail / Bonds • Check Cashing Service • Pawn Shops • Bars; bars as part of restaurant are permissible but restaurant must be primary business • Electronic or Vapor Cigarette Store

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