



June 13, 2023

Benjamin M. Melnick, Deputy Secretary
Division of Community Development
Florida Department of Economic Opportunity
107 East Madison Street, MSC 160
Tallahassee, FL 32399-4120

Subject: Support for Main Street Fort Pierce and Lincoln Park Main Street Community Planning Technical Assistance Grant Application

Dear Deputy Secretary Melnick,

The Fort Pierce Redevelopment Agency is pleased to support the application by Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council for developing a resiliency and economic development plan on behalf of Main Street Fort Pierce and Lincoln Park Main Street. Main Street Fort Pierce has been accredited by Main Street America since 1988 and Lincoln Park Main Street has been accredited by Main Street America since 2006.

These two organizations are incredibly meaningful to Fort Pierce Redevelopment Agency. A key component of the Main Street program is revitalizing historic downtowns and encouraging economic development within the context of historic preservation. A resiliency and economic development plan for these valuable organization will build on prior planning efforts of the City related to economic development and will enhance the civic, cultural, and economic viability of the entire community – retail, service, academic, government and industry.

Fort Pierce Redevelopment Agency looks forward to a successful review by the Department of Economic Opportunity and the award of funding for this valuable project.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Linda Hudson'.

Mayor Linda Hudson
Chairwoman of the Fort Pierce Redevelopment Agency