

STATE OF ALABAMA)

COUNTY OF JEFFERSON)

COUNTY DISTRICT PAVING GRANT PROGRAM

WHEREAS the Jefferson County Commission adopted a County District Roads/Paving allocation and Funding Guideline for the 2025/2026 Fiscal Year (“Program”); and

WHEREAS, under this Program, City of Midfield, a municipality in Jefferson County, Alabama, applied for a cost of \$130,000.00 to assist with the prep and paving maintenance services of 12th Avenue in Midfield from 12th Street and 6th Street and Carol Circle in Midfield from 12th Street of Freda Drive.

WHEREAS, City of Midfield meets the eligibility requirements of Jefferson County District Paving Grant Program and will provide the grant of such service serves a good and sufficient public purpose; and

WHEREAS, the County Commission has determined that it is in the public interest to assist the City of Midfield and utilize the Jefferson County Roads and Transportation department, to assist with prep and paving maintenance services within the City of Midfield.

NOW THEREFORE, the parties agree as follows:

Performance of Work. The County will cause the Schedule of Work identified by the City of Midfield to be performed by its own forces in compliance with any and all rules, laws, and regulations applicable to its undertaking, performance, and completion of the Schedule of Work. Attached as Exhibit A. The County will perform the work by its own forces in compliance with any and all rules, laws, and regulations applicable to its undertaking.

Cost. The estimated cost for the proposed Scope of Work is \$263,500.00, which will be a shared cost with the City contributing \$133,536.49 and Commissioner Scales Office providing \$130,000

in district paving funds. The scope of the work actually performed as described herein shall not exceed \$263,536.49. The Roads and Transportation Department of the County will provide roadway services in accordance with the labor, equipment, and material cost which are attached hereto as Exhibit A.

Payment:

The City of Midfield shall provide a lump sum payment of \$133,536.49 made payable to the Jefferson County Commission and delivered to the attention of Chris Nicholson, Director of Roads and Transportation, 716 Richard Arrington, Jr. Blvd N, Room A-200, Birmingham, Alabama.

The Jefferson County Roads and Transportation department will be paid for services performed from Commissioner Scales district paving fund by direct transfer of \$130,000 in a lump sum payment to Roads and Transportation Department budget upon execution of this agreement.

Roads and Transportation shall maintain true and accurate books of account and records relating to the cost of the Schedule of Work supported by cancelled checks, vouchers, receipts, certificates, invoices, warrants, purchase orders and similar documentation. The funds allocated to perform the entire scope of work identified in Exhibit A are insufficient, therefore the county will perform as many services as the allocated funds allow and no more.

No Inference of Control. Neither the County's execution of this Agreement nor the performance of its undertaking hereunder shall in any way constitute an admission, acceptance, nor indicia of control of the roadways identified in the Schedule of Work.

The County does not by these presents assume any risk, liability or any future responsibility or maintenance for the roadways identified in the Schedule of Work.

Authority. Each of the parties hereto does hereby represent and warrant that it has taken all necessary action for the approval of this Agreement and the signature of its representative below has been duly authorized and is binding upon such party. Each of the parties hereto does further represent and warrant that this Agreement shall be enforceable against each party upon the execution hereof by each party's duly authorized representative.

Notices. All notices and other communications required or permitted to be given under this agreement shall be in writing and shall be delivered either by (i) hand delivery (ii) a recognized overnight courier who maintains verification of delivery (deemed to be received on a date of delivered), (iii) United States mail, registered or certified, postage prepaid, return receipt requested (deemed received (3) days after such mailing), or (iv) electronic mail (deemed received on the date sent providing the electronic mail was properly addressed and disclosed the numbers of pages transmitted and that the transmission report produced indicates that each of the pages of the electronic mail were received at the correct account) to each of the respective parties as follows:

County Manager
Attention: Cal Markert
716 Richard Arrington, Jr., Blvd. N.
Room 260 / Courthouse
Birmingham, AL 35203

Copy to: Jefferson County, Alabama
Attention: Chris Nicholson, Director
716 Richard Arrington, Jr., Blvd. N.
Room A-200 / Courthouse
Birmingham, AL 35203
nicholsonc@jccal.org

City of Midfield
Gary Richardson, Mayor
grichardson@cityofmidfield.com

Midfield City Hall
725 Bessemer Super Highway
Midfield, Alabama 35228

Governing Law. The parties agree that this contract is made and entered into Jefferson County, Alabama and that all services, materials, and equipment to be rendered pursuant to said Agreement are to be delivered in Jefferson County, Alabama. The interpretation and enforcement of this Agreement will be governed by the laws of the State of Alabama. The parties agree that jurisdiction and venue over all disputes arising under this Agreement shall be the Circuit Court of Jefferson County, Alabama, Birmingham Division.

Acknowledgement of Funding. If any public recognition is made related to the purpose for which the grant was received, such as in media announcements, marketing materials, advertising, or informational campaigns, grant recipients must acknowledge support from the Jefferson County Commission as a body and not solely the sponsoring Commissioner. Jefferson County should be tagged in all social media mentions regarding County-funded projects and awards.

Force Majeure. The County is not responsible for delays due to causes or occurrences beyond its control including, but not limited to weather, civil disobedience, acts of God, casualty or accident, war, labor disputes, or the like.

Successors and Assigns. This Agreement will apply to, be binding in all respects upon, and inure to the benefit of the successors and permitted assigns of the parties.

No Third Parties Benefited. This Agreement is made and entered into solely for the benefit of the City and County, their successors and permitted assigns, and no other person or entity shall have rights hereunder.

Further Assistances. Each party hereto shall take any and all reasonable actions as may be necessary or appropriate from time to time to effectuate the provisions of this agreement.

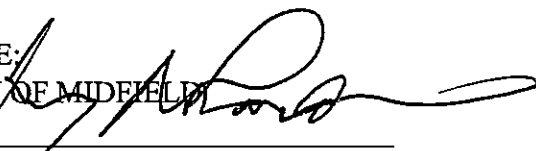
Miscellaneous. This Agreement supersedes all prior agreements between the parties with the respect to its subject matter and constitutes a complete and exclusive statement of the terms of the agreement between the parties with respect to its subject matter.

Counterparts. This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts, by original or facsimile signature, each of which shall be deemed and original, but all of which together shall constitute one and the same instrument.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Agreement as of the first date written above.

JEFFERSON COUNTY, ALABAMA

By: _____
President, Jimmie Stephens
Jefferson County Commission

DATE: _____
CITY OF MIDEFIELD
BY:  _____
Its: Mayor



**OFFICE OF THE COUNTY COMMISSION,
JEFFERSON COUNTY, ALABAMA**

Today's Date: 2/28/25 Project Name: _____
Project Beginning Date: 3-18-2025 Project End Date: 3-1-2026
Amount Requested: \$ 130,000.00 Date Funds Needed: 3-1-2025
Name of Applicant Organization: City of Midfield
Address: 725 Bessemer Super Hwy.
City & Zip Code: Midfield, AL 35228 Tax ID #: _____
Contact Name(s): Falencia Ratcliff Telephone No.: 205-919-4191
Fax No.: 205-923-1570 Email Address: cityclerk@cityofmidfield.com

On a separate sheet(s), please briefly answer the following questions:

1. Describe the applicant organization, including its purpose, leadership structure and activity.
2. Describe the proposed project or activity and provide a timeline for completion.
3. Explain the anticipated positive impact of the proposed project or activity and identify the specific communities that will benefit.
4. Are there any matching funds or in-kind contributions related to this project? (Yes/No)
If yes, please provide information detailing the additional sources and amounts involved.

**Applicant may be contacted during the review process and asked to provide a complete line item budget.*

Street paving in the City of Midfield holds significant importance, contributing both to the overall development of the area and the well-being of its citizens. The timeline for completion is within 12 months of grant.

Here are some of the key benefits it provides:

1. Improved Safety

Paved roads reduce the risk of accidents caused by rough or damaged roads. They offer smoother surfaces for vehicles and pedestrians, which significantly decreases the likelihood of vehicle damage and accidents.

Properly maintained streets improve visibility, reducing hazards such as potholes, cracks, or gravel, and enhancing the safety of everyone using the roads.

2. Enhanced Transportation Efficiency

Paved roads allow for faster and more efficient travel, reducing travel time for citizens commuting to work, school, or running errands. This improves the flow of traffic and alleviates congestion in key areas of the city.

With well-paved roads, public transportation systems (buses, shuttles, etc.) can operate more reliably, providing citizens with accessible and timely travel options.

3. Economic Benefits

Paving streets can stimulate local businesses by improving access to commercial areas. More people are likely to visit businesses located along well-paved roads because they are more accessible and comfortable to travel on.

Property values tend to rise with the improvement of infrastructure, including the paving of streets. This means homeowners in the City of Midfield could see a potential increase in the value of their property, benefiting from better curb appeal and desirability of the neighborhood.

4. Environmental Impact

Properly paved streets can reduce dust and debris, leading to cleaner air quality for residents. The presence of a smooth surface minimizes erosion and helps prevent flooding by promoting better water runoff control.

The leadership structure in the City of Midfield includes several key positions:

Mayor: The head of the city government, responsible for overseeing the city's operations and representing Midfield at a high level.

City Council (5 Councilmembers): The elected legislative body responsible for making laws, setting policies, and approving budgets. The council typically works alongside the mayor to make decisions on city governance.

City Clerk/Treasurer: The person responsible for maintaining official city records, managing finances, and overseeing the financial operations of the city, including budgeting and accounting.

Public Works Director: Oversees the department that maintains and manages the city's infrastructure, including roads, public buildings, and utilities.

Parks and Recreation Director: Responsible for managing parks, recreation programs, and community services, ensuring they are well-maintained and accessible to residents.

Police Chief: Leads the city's police department, overseeing law enforcement activities, ensuring public safety, and managing police officers.

Fire Chief: Heads the fire department, responsible for firefighting services, emergency medical response, and fire prevention programs.

City Inspection Department: This department ensures compliance with building codes, zoning laws, and safety regulations through inspections and enforcement.

Each of these roles plays a critical part in ensuring the city runs smoothly and meets the needs of its residents. The mayor typically has executive authority, while the councilmembers provide legislative support. The department heads like the Police Chief, Fire Chief, and Public Works Director oversee the essential services and infrastructure of the city.

Additionally, modern paving techniques sometimes incorporate more sustainable materials and methods, which can reduce the carbon footprint of urban development projects.

5. Long-Term Cost Savings

While the initial cost of paving streets might be significant, it offers long-term savings in road maintenance. Unpaved or poorly maintained roads can deteriorate quickly and require frequent repairs.

Paved roads require less frequent upkeep, saving both the city government and taxpayers money over time.

6. Increased Quality of Life

The improvement of street conditions directly impacts citizens' daily experiences. Paved roads reduce the wear and tear on vehicles, provide smoother and quieter rides, and enhance the overall aesthetic of neighborhoods, creating a more pleasant living environment.

The improved infrastructure can also lead to more community engagement, as citizens may be more likely to walk, cycle, or participate in outdoor activities due to better roads and safer conditions.

7. Community Connectivity

Paving streets ensures better connectivity between different areas of the city, enabling smoother interactions between neighborhoods, businesses, and city services. This fosters a greater sense of community and makes it easier for residents to connect and communicate with each other.

In conclusion, the paving of streets in the City of Midfield not only creates a safer, more efficient environment for its citizens but also brings long-term economic, environmental, and social benefits. Investing in road infrastructure is essential for improving the quality of life and ensuring the city's continued growth and development.

The City of Midfield has set aside funds from road tax and special project funds to provide necessary matching funds with City leadership 100 percent on board for project completion.
