

MINISTRY OF FINANCE AND THE PUBLIC SERVICE

## **REQUEST FOR APPLICATIONS**

## DECLARATION OF APPROVED INTEGRATED RESORT DEVELOPMENT



In furtherance of the expansion and improvement of Jamaica's tourism product, the Government of Jamaica (GOJ) introduced the concept of an Approved Integrated Resort Development (AIRD). An AIRD for the purpose of this application is a development consisting of a mix of various tourism amenities and facilities in the same precinct including, but not limited to, hotels, hotel rooms, villas, casinos, attractions, sporting facilities, entertainment facilities, service centres and shopping centres.

Declaration of an AIRD by the Minister of Finance and the Public Service (MoFPS) ("The Minister") is a precursor for an application for a casino gaming licence under Section 9 of the Casino Gaming Act which can be found via the Ministry of Finance and the Public Service's (www.mof.gov.jm) and the Jamaica Promotions Corporation's (JAMPRO's) (www.dobusinessjamaica.com) websites.

By this Request for Applications (RFA), the Minister, on behalf of the GOJ, invites interested investors to submit applications for an AIRD. A summary of the key RFA specifications is included in a separate document titled "Guidelines for Approved Integrated Resort Development in Jamaica". This Document may be obtained by visiting the websites of the Ministry of Finance and the Public Service (www.mof.gov.jm) and JAMPRO (www.dobusinessjamaica.com).

Interested applicants are also referred to The Casino Gaming (Application for Declaration of Approved Integrated Resort Development) Regulations which contain the form for application, along with other relevant documentation and provides instructions for application submission. These may also be accessed from the following websites:

- www.mof.gov.jm
- www.dobusinessjamaica.com

Applicants will be considered for the following two exclusive zones:

- Hanover and Westmoreland
- St. James

Only one applicant will be approved for each zone.

Completed application forms with all documentation required by the Regulations, along with a **non-refundable application fee of US\$150,000.00**, are to be returned no later than the deadline of or before **4:00 p.m. (EST) on February 10, 2022** to:

**The Financial Secretary** 

Attention: AIRD Project Consultant Approved Integrated Resort Development The Ministry of Finance and the Public Service 30 National Heroes Circle Kingston 4

## Email: irdapplications@mof.gov.jm

Application forms and all requisite documentation are to be submitted in four hard copies and one thumb/flash drive in accordance with Section 3 (5) of the Regulations. Application fees can be made by manager's cheque.

All enquiries should be addressed to the Project Consultant, Email: irdapplications@mof.gov.jm. The evaluation period is estimated to be two (2) months, subject to timely receipt of additional information/clarification requested from applicants and other stakeholders by the AIRD Consultant.

DISCLAIMER

This Request for Application has been prepared by the MoFPS on behalf of the Government of Jamaica and invites interested investors to submit applications for declaration of AIRD. The objective of this RFA is to provide interested investors with information that may be useful to them in the completion and submission of their applications. Therefore, applicants are expected to seek independent legal advice on relevant laws and regulations before responding to the RFA. This disclaimer also applies to information that prospective applicants will access from the website and any other information provided.

A Project Consultant will manage the application process and act as agent for the Ministry of Finance and the Public Service (MoFPS).

The MoFPS has the right to accept or reject any or all applications without incurring any liability to interested investors or any obligation to provide any reason for its decision. That notwithstanding, the Project Consultant in his/her capacity as agent for the MoFPS will inform each interested investor of the status of their Application. This Document does not purport to be all inclusive but is designed to provide information on the process in which interested investors will be required to participate.