




CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE
City Commission Agenda Memo
REGULAR MEETING

#23-0810

TO: Honorable Mayor & Members of the
Fort Lauderdale City Commission

FROM: Greg Chavarria, City Manager 
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TITLE: **WALK ON** - Motion Approving and Authorizing the Execution of a Revocable License with FAT VILLAGE PROJECT LLC, for Temporary Right-of-Way Closures on NW 5th Street, NW 1st Avenue and NW 6th Street/Sistrunk Boulevard in Association with the FAT Village Development Located at 501-545 NW 1st Avenue and 545 North Andrews Avenue – **(Commission District 2)**

Recommendation

Staff recommends the City Commission consider a motion approving and authorizing the execution of a Revocable License with FAT VILLAGE PROJECT LLC, for Temporary Right-of-Way Closures on NW 5th Street, NW 1st Avenue and NW 6th Street/Sistrunk Boulevard contiguous to the FAT Village development.

Background

The site plan for this development received City approvals in October 2021 (DRC Cases UDP-S21015 & UDP-S21016) and August 2023 (Administrative Review Cases UDP-A22037 & UDP-A22038) for a 25-story (306-feet high), a 24-story (271-feet high), and a 13-story (162-feet high) residential towers that include 859 multifamily residential units, 143,795 square feet of office uses, and 90,012 square feet of retail/restaurant commercial uses totaling 1,724,011 square feet of gross floor area with 1,594 structured parking spaces. The total duration of the temporary right-of-way closure for the four construction phases is thirty-nine (39) months. Since the site has already been cleared, the developer is anticipated to commence with construction following the approval of this Revocable License and Maintenance of Traffic (MOT) permit. The “Location Map” is attached as Exhibit 1.

This Revocable License would close the following:

- 1) the two through lanes on NW 5th Street adjacent to the development site and detour vehicular traffic to NW 4th Street;
- 2.a) the existing sidewalk along NW 5th Street adjacent to the project site and detour pedestrian traffic to the existing sidewalks on the south side

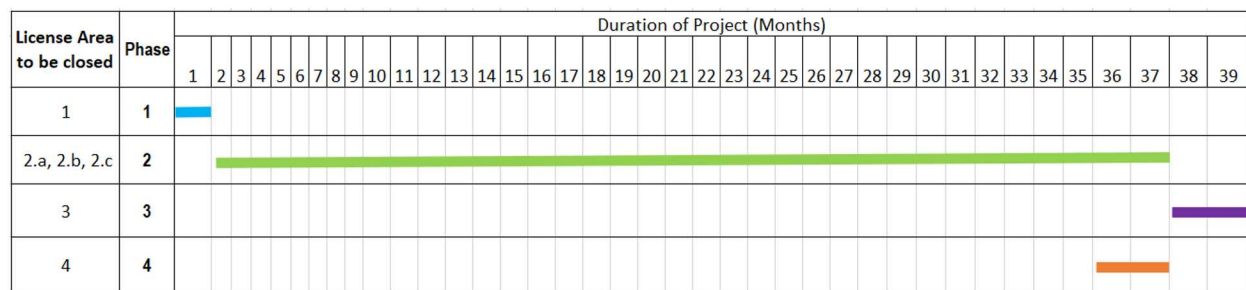
of NW 5th Street;

- 2.b) the full right of way of NW 1st Avenue along the site frontage, pedestrian, and vehicular traffic would be detoured to North Andrews Avenue;
- 2.c) two feet of sidewalk width along entire site frontage of NW 6th Street/Sistrunk Blvd, no detour would be required;
- 3) 19' width along site frontage of NW 6th Street/Sistrunk Blvd for continuous closure of adjacent sidewalk and right turn travel lane, pedestrian traffic would be provided a 4-foot protected clear path between the travel lane and the right of way closure, eastbound vehicular traffic would be funneled into one lane of traffic;
- 4) the two through lanes on NW 5th Street adjacent to the development site and detour vehicular traffic to NW 4th Street.

The proposed closures are being requested as a safety measure for pedestrians and motorists due to the limitations of the site and proximity of construction to the right-of-way. A summary is provided in the table below and depicted in the "License Area", attached as Exhibit 2 and the "Detour Plan", attached as Exhibit 3. A copy of the "Revocable License" is attached as Exhibit 4.

LICENSE AREA CLOSURES					
License Area	Location	Duration	Existing Right-of Way Width	Existing Sidewalk Width	Description
1	NW 5 th Street	30 Days	50'	6', north side of road 6', south side of road	Approximately 24' width, 12' from the center line of the road in each the north and south directions towards the parking stalls, along entire site frontage – continuous closure of travel lanes, vehicular detour required (see Detour Plan), to facilitate safety, security and construction of improvements on the property and within City Right-of-Way
2.a	NW 5 th Street	36 Months	50'	6', north side of road 6', south side of road	Approximately 6' 8" width from property line into the R/W along site frontage – continuous closure of adjacent sidewalk, pedestrian detours required (see Detour Plan), to facilitate construction of public amenities within City Right-of-Way
2.b	NW 1 st Avenue	36 Months	60'	5', east side of road 5', west side of road	Approximately 60' width plus corner chord, from property line to property line, along entire site frontage – continuous closure of adjacent sidewalk and parking area, pedestrian detour required (see Detour Plan), to facilitate safety, security and construction of the improvements on the property and within City Right-of-Way

2.c	NW 6 th Street / Sistrunk Blvd	36 Months	70'	6', north side of road 6', south side of road	Approximately 2' width, from property line into the R/W, along entire site frontage – continuous closure of adjacent sidewalk, pedestrian detour is not required, to facilitate safety, security and construction of the improvements on the property and within City Right-of-Way
3	NW 6 th Street / Sistrunk Blvd	8 Weeks	70'	6', north side of road 6', south side of road	19' width along site frontage – continuous closure of adjacent sidewalk and right turn travel lane, pedestrian and vehicular detours required (see Detour Plan), to facilitate construction of public amenities within City Right-of-Way
4	NW 5 th Street	8 Weeks	50'	6', north side of road 6', south side of road	Approximately 24' width, 12' from the center line of the road in each the north and south directions towards the parking stalls, along entire site frontage – continuous closure of travel lanes, vehicular detour required (see Detour Plan), to facilitate safety, security, and construction of improvements on the property and within City Right-of-Way



The proposed MOT plan is not anticipated to present any conflicts with construction projects in this area. The Revocable License authorizes the City Manager with the ability to extend the term of the Phases 1, 2, & 4 closures up to four (4) 30-day periods each, and Phase 3 closure up to two (2) 30-day periods, if necessary.

Resource Impact

There is no fiscal impact to the City associated with this action.

Strategic Connections

This item is a *2022 Commission* Priority, advancing the Smart Growth initiative.

This item supports the *Press Play Fort Lauderdale 2024* Strategic Plan, specifically advancing:

- The Infrastructure Focus Area
- Goal 2: Build a multi-modal and pedestrian friendly community
- Objective: Improve roads, sidewalks, and trails to prioritize a safer, more walkable and bikeable community

Connected.

This item supports the *Advance Fort Lauderdale 2040* Comprehensive Plan, specifically advancing:

- The Infrastructure Focus Area
- The Transportation & Mobility Element
- Goal 1: Ensure the equitable development of a Complete Network for transportation that prioritizes Safety and emphasizes multimodal mobility and accessibility

Attachments

Exhibit 1 – Location Map

Exhibit 2 – License Area

Exhibit 3 – Detour Plan

Exhibit 4 – Revocable License

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