## **RESOLUTION NO. 23-127**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA, ACCEPTING A GRANT FROM THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND CONSUMER SERVICES, FLORIDA FOREST SERVICE DIVISION, IN THE AMOUNT OF TWENTY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$25,000.00) AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE ANY AND ALL AGREEMENTS AND DOCUMENTS NECESSARY AND INCIDENTAL THERETO; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Forest Service Division ("U.S. Forest Service") Urban and Community Forestry Grant Program, has allocated grant funds to qualified state agencies and their territories to increase and maintain healthy urban tree canopies, green spaces, access to nature, and otherwise enhance urban community forests; and

WHEREAS, the City of Fort Lauderdale is an eligible subrecipient of the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services ("FDACS"), Florida Forest Service Division's ("Florida Forest Service") initiative to increase and protect existing tree canopies in developed areas; and

WHEREAS, the City's total project cost is estimated at Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000) and the Urban and Community Forestry Grant will cover fifty percent (50%) of the City's total project cost in the amount of Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000.00) and, as a condition to the grant award, the City must commit to contribute fifty percent (50%) matching funds; and

WHEREAS, the \$25,000 grant funds awarded to the City will be used to purchase and install trees to improve the tree canopy at Riverland Woods Park and the City's 50% in-kind matching obligation will be calculated at a combined value of mulch materials/supplies and in-kind labor services for the general maintenance of the tree canopy at Riverland Woods Park; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission wish to accept the \$25,000 grant funds with the City's 50% in-kind materials/labor matching commitment, and authorize the City Manager to execute and return the Federal Financial Assistance Subrecipient Agreement to FDACS within thirty (30) days of receiving the form agreement from FDACS, and any and all documents necessary and incidental to manage the grant; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA:

SECTION 1. That the City Commission of the City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, hereby accepts a grant from FDACS Florida Forest Service, in the amount of Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000.00), with the City's 50% in-kind materials/labor matching commitment, and authorizes the City Manager to execute and return the Federal Financial Assistance Subrecipient Agreement to FDACS within thirty (30) days of receiving the form agreement from FDACS, and any and all documents necessary or incidental to manage the grant.

<u>SECTION 2</u>. That the City Manager shall comply with all grant requirements in the manner prescribed by FDACS, subject to any change(s) or amendments mutually agreed upon in writing by the City and FDACS.

<u>SECTION 3</u>. That the office of the City Attorney shall review and approve as to form and correctness all documents prior to their execution by the City Manager.

SECTION 4. That the Effective Date of this Resolution is the date of final adoption.

ADOPTED this 5th day of July, 2023.

ATTEST:

City Clerk

DAVID R. SOLOMAN

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND CORRECTNESS:

Interim City Attorney

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Yea

John C. Herbst

Yea

Steven Glassman

Yea

Pamela Beasley-Pittman

Yea

Warren Sturman

Yea