



**CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE  
City Commission Agenda Memo  
REGULAR MEETING**

**#24-0222**

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

**FROM:** Susan Grant, Acting City Manager

**DATE:** August 20, 2024

**TITLE:** Resolution Approving a Grant Agreement for Laudertrail Segment 1D with  
the Florida Department of Environmental Protection for the Recreational  
Trails Program Grant in the amount of \$401,630 - **(Commission Districts  
1 and 2)**

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**Recommendation**

Staff recommends the City Commission adopt a resolution approving a grant agreement for Laudertrail Segment 1D with the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) for the Recreational Trails Program (RTP) grant; and to authorize the City Manager to execute any required documents associated with the acceptance of such funds.

**Background**

The Florida Department of Environmental Protection administers the Recreational Trails Program on behalf of the United States Department of Transportation, Federal Highway Administration. The RTP provides grants for the development of recreational trails for motorized and non-motorized recreational vehicles. This RTP grant award will provide funding for the development of segment 1D of the LauderTrail Master plan.

Segment 1D connects Bayview Elementary School, George English Park via Sunrise Boulevard to Holiday Park. The funding awarded for Segment 1D will transform NE 7th Street into a neighborhood greenway with a sidewalk on one side for pedestrians and pavement marking improvements for cyclists. NE 20th Avenue would also be upgraded as a neighborhood greenway. The signalized intersection at NE 20th Avenue and East Sunrise Boulevard would be upgraded to provide safe crossings for trail users. Segment 1D is planned to utilize the existing sidewalk to west of Bayview Drive on Sunrise Boulevard where it is proposed to enter George English Park south of Bayview Elementary School. The trail would be built to the signalized intersection of Bayview Drive.

The scope of work entails design, permitting, engineering, surveying, site preparation and construction of 8-foot-wide hard surface trail with two boardwalk entrances, American Disability Act compliant crosswalks, bike pavement markings, the purchase and installation of wayfinding signage, educational signage, location markers, bike racks, bike

repair stations, benches and landscaping. The LauderTrail Master Plan estimated the project cost to design and construct segment 1D was estimated at \$706,000.00. Staff applied an inflationary factor to the original cost estimate to create a project estimate of \$803,260.00 for the RTP application.

Grant funds will be matched with a 50% local match (\$401,630.00) from the Parks GO Bond Series 2020A as approved by Commission on January 5, 2021, for LauderTrail.

The Grant Agreement requires the grantee (City) to dedicate the Project Site and all land within the Project boundaries developed with the RTP Funds, as an outdoor recreation area for the use and benefit of the general public for ninety-nine years.

### **Resource Impact**

There is a positive impact to the City in the amount of \$401,630, funding was approved at the March 5, 2024, Consolidated Budget Amendment CAM 24-0036.

Use:

<b>Funds available as of July 26, 2024</b>					
<b>ACCOUNT NUMBER</b>	<b>COST CENTER NAME</b>	<b>CHARACTER CODE/ ACCOUNT NAME</b>	<b>AMENDED BUDGET (Character)</b>	<b>AVAILABLE BALANCE (Character)</b>	<b>AMOUNT</b>
10-129-9300-541-331-490-P12627A	LAUDERTRAIL PHASE 1D	SERVICES-MATERIALS/CONSTRUCTION	\$401,630	\$401,630	\$401,630
<b>TOTAL AMOUNT →</b>					<b>\$401,630</b>

### **Strategic Connections**

This item is a 2024 Commission Priority, advancing the Transportation and Traffic initiative.

This item supports the *Press Play Fort Lauderdale 2029* Strategic Plan, specifically advancing:

- The Infrastructure Focus Area, Goal 4: Facilitate an efficient, multimodal transportation network.

This item advances the Fast Forward Fort Lauderdale Vision Plan 2035: We Are Connected.

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

- The Neighborhood Enhancement Focus Area
- The Urban Design Element
- Goal 4: Enhance the existing built environment and elements unique to Fort Lauderdale, including waterways, bridges, tunnels, and other traversable features.

### **Attachments**

Exhibit 1 – Agreement

Exhibit 2 – Location Map

Exhibit 3 – Resolution

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