



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

**#17-1061**

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

**FROM:** Lee R. Feldman, ICMA-CM, City Manager

**DATE:** October 3, 2017

**TITLE:** Motion to Accept Broward Coastal Dune Restoration Grant - \$5,000

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**Recommendation**

It is recommended that the City Commission approve a motion to accept a Broward County Coastal Dune Restoration Grant, in substantially the form attached, allowing the City Manger to enter into an agreement with Broward County to preserve the dunes located on Fort Lauderdale Beach.

**Background**

The purpose of the Coastal Dune Restoration Grant Program is to promote the enhancement, restoration, and preservation of existing dunes located along Broward County's shoreline. Vegetated dunes help to trap and anchor windblown sand, and when well established, dunes enhance coastal defenses by absorbing additional wave energy and maintaining a sand reservoir that helps minimize erosion. In recognition of the importance of preserving Fort Lauderdale's beach dunes, Parks and Recreation Department staff applied for a Coastal Dune Restoration Grant as released by Broward County's Environmental Planning and Community Resilience Division. Staff subsequently learned that Fort Lauderdale would be a recipient of such grant funds.

Grant funds will be used to install protective measures to preserve and protect existing dunes on Fort Lauderdale Beach. The dune area will be secured with posts and rope to discourage pedestrian traffic through the dunes. Grant awards do not exceed \$5,000 and require a 50% cost share (either cash or in-kind services). Project installation will be performed by staff as the grant's in-kind match.

Broward County provides the grant funds on a reimbursable basis to support enhancement projects. Project funds must be expended within one year of execution of the grant award.

**Resource Impact**

There is a positive fiscal impact in the estimated amount of \$5,000, associated with this item. Funds are being appropriated through companion CAM 17-1062.

**Appropriate To:**

**Funds available as of October 3, 2017**

ACCOUNT NUMBER	INDEX NAME (Program)	CHARACTER CODE/ SUB-OBJECT NAME	AMENDED BUDGET (Character)	AVAILABLE BALANCE (Character)	AMOUNT
129-GDUNE18-F733	2018Coastal Dune Grant	Broward County - Cult & Rec	\$0	\$0	\$5,000.00
<b>TOTAL AMOUNT →</b>					<b>\$5,000.00</b>

**To:**

ACCOUNT NUMBER	INDEX NAME (Program)	CHARACTER CODE/ SUB-OBJECT NAME	AMENDED BUDGET (Character)	AVAILABLE BALANCE (Character)	AMOUNT
129-GDUNE18-3999	2018 Coastal Dune Grant	Services & Materials / Other Supplies	\$0	\$0	\$5,000.00
<b>TOTAL AMOUNT →</b>					<b>\$5,000.00</b>

**Strategic Connection:**

This item is a *Press Play Fort Lauderdale Strategic Plan 2018* initiative, included within the Public Places Cylinder of Excellence, specifically advancing:

- Goal 3: Be a community that finds opportunities and leverages partnerships to create unique, inviting, and connected gathering places that highlight our beaches, waterways, urban areas and parks.
- Objective 1: Improve access to and enjoyment of our beach, Riverwalk, waterways, parks, and open spaces for everyone.

This item advances the *Fast Forward Fort Lauderdale Vision Plan 2035: We are Here.*

**Attachment**

Exhibit 1 – Coastal Dune Restoration Grant Agreement

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