



CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE
City Commission Agenda Memo
REGULAR MEETING

#13-0400

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

FROM: Lee Feldman, ICMA-CM, City Manager

DATE: March 5, 2013

TITLE: Motion to execute South Florida Regional Planning Council Agreement for
the Pilot Implementation of Adaptation Action Areas

Recommendation

It is recommended that the City Commission approve execution of an Interlocal Agreement (ILA) with the South Florida Regional Planning Council to commence a pilot project of special merit that will explore the options available to local governments that wish to implement adaptation action areas in their local comprehensive plans.

Background

The City of Fort Lauderdale was awarded a grant in the amount of \$50,000 in light of our involvement with the Southeast Florida Regional Climate Compact, and due to our vulnerability to coastal flooding, extreme high tides and the impacts of rising sea levels. In conjunction with the South Florida Regional Planning Council and Broward County, the City of Fort Lauderdale will identify possible areas for designation of Adaptation Action Areas (AAA's) and develop policy options to amend the City of Fort Lauderdale Comprehensive Plan. An AAA, as defined by the Florida State Community Planning Act, is an *optional comprehensive plan designation for areas that experience coastal flooding and that are vulnerable to the related impacts of rising sea levels for prioritizing funding for infrastructure and adaptation planning.*

As part of a National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) funded five year initiative entitled "Community Resiliency: Planning for Sea Level Rise," the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity (FDEO) is developing a statewide planning framework to determine how to best integrate sea level rise adaptation into the existing process. The City of Fort Lauderdale, cooperatively working with the South Florida Regional Planning Council and Broward County, will serve as the pilot community to test the development and advancement of adaptation policy options.

At the conclusion of this project, the City of Fort Lauderdale will have prepared AAA's policy options for inclusion into the City of Fort Lauderdale Comprehensive Plan subject to City Commission approval and as the pilot project, played a significant role in the creation of a FDEO guidebook for other local governments wishing to adopt AAAs. Next steps will include linking the adaptation action policies to infrastructure capital planning and budgeting.

Resource Impact

There is a positive fiscal impact to the City in the amount of \$50,000.

Funding for this item is contingent upon the approval of the Consolidated Budget Amendment; CAM 13-0248, presented on March 5, 2013.

AVAILABLE REVENUE								
FISCAL YEAR	FUND	SUBFUND	FUND NAME	INDEX #	INDEX NAME	SUBJECT	SUBJECT NAME	AMOUNT
2013	129	01	Misc Federal/State/County Grants	GAAAPILOT	So FL REG PLN CNCL PILOT IMPL ADAPTION ACTION AREAS	C316	US DEP OF COMMERCE PASS THRU SFREG PLAN	\$ 50,000.00
TOTAL								\$ 50,000.00

AVAILABLE FUNDING: CONTINGENT UPON APPROVAL OF THE 3/5/13 CONSOLIDATED BUDGET AMENDMENT; 13-0248.								
FISCAL YEAR	FUND	SUBFUND	FUND NAME	INDEX #	INDEX NAME	SUBJECT #	SUBJECT NAME	AMOUNT
2013	129	01	Misc Federal/State/County Grants	GAAAPILOT	So FL REG PLN CNCL PILOT IMPL ADAPTION ACTION AREAS	3999	OTHER SUPPLIES	\$ 45,000.00
2013	129	01	Misc Federal/State/County Grants	GAAAPILOT	So FL REG PLN CNCL PILOT IMPL ADAPTION ACTION AREAS	4104	CONFERENCES	\$5,000.00
TOTAL								\$50,000.00

Related CAM: #13-0248

Attachments:

Exhibit 1 – Interlocal Agreement

Exhibit 2 – Memo 12-054

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