



CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE
City Commission Agenda Memo
REGULAR MEETING

#23-0964

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

FROM: Greg Chavarria, City Manager

DATE: December 19, 2023

TITLE: Motion Approving and Authorizing the Execution of a Revocable License with FORTUNE RELATED CONSTRUCTION LLC, for Temporary Right-of-Way Closures on Sistrunk Boulevard and NW 1st Avenue Associated with the Gallery at Flagler Village Development Located at 600 N Andrews Avenue – **(Commission District 2)**

Recommendation

Staff recommends the City Commission consider a motion approving and authorizing the execution of a Revocable License with FORTUNE RELATED CONSTRUCTION LLC, for temporary right-of-way closures on Sistrunk Boulevard and NW 1st Avenue associated with the Gallery at Flagler Village Development located at 600 N. Andrews Avenue.

Background

The subject project consists of a mixed-use residential development with 263 residential units and 2,394 square feet of commercial space with structured parking having 273 parking spaces, contained in a 16-story (189'-8" high) building with 379,749 square feet of gross floor area, approved on April 18, 2023 pursuant to DRC Case No. UDP-S23006. The duration of the temporary right-of-way closure for the construction phase is sixteen (16) months. The site is currently under construction, and the developer is requesting this Revocable License in preparation for the next phases of construction, subject to 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: 1) the outside (west) 20-foot grass shoulder and metered on-street parking on the NE 1st Avenue southbound vehicular travel lane starting from 400 feet south of NE 7th Street or 200 feet north of NE 6th Street and stopping at NE 6th Street; 2) the outside (north) 6-foot sidewalk of the NE 6th Street westbound vehicular travel lane starting from 100 feet west of SE 1st Avenue or 150 feet east of N Andrews Avenue and stopping at N Andrews Avenue; 3) the outside (north) 15-foot sidewalk of the NE 6th Street westbound vehicular travel lane starting from 100 feet west of SE 1st Avenue or 150 feet east of N Andrews Avenue and stopping at NE 1st Ave. 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, and for construction

of the proposed improvements within right-of-way per the approved site plan. 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	NE 1 st Avenue	16 Months	60'	7', east side of road None, west side of road	Approximately 20' width from property line into the R/W along site frontage – continuous closure of swale, and metered on street parking spaces, no pedestrian or vehicular detours required (see Detour Plan), to facilitate construction of public amenities within City Right-of-Way
2	NE 6 th Street	16 Months	87'	6', north side of road 8', south side of road	Approximately 6' width from property line into the R/W along site frontage – continuous closure of sidewalk, pedestrian detours required (see Detour Plan), to facilitate construction of public amenities within City Right-of-Way
3	NE 6 th Street	16 Months	87'	15', north side of road 14', south side of road	Approximately 15' width from property line into the R/W along site frontage – continuous closure of sidewalk and landscape area, pedestrian detours required (see Detour Plan), to facilitate construction of public amenities 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 the ability to extend the term of this closure up to four 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 *2024 Commission* Priority, Economic Development 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

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

Exhibit 5 – Broward County Detour Approval

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