



CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE
City Commission Agenda Memo
REGULAR MEETING

#21-0851

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

FROM: Chris Lagerbloom, ICMA-CM, City Manager

DATE: December 7, 2021

TITLE: Resolution Authorizing the Acceptance of Grant Funds and Execution of a Grant Agreement with the Federal Aviation Administration for the American Rescue Grant Program and the American Rescue Plan Act for the Response to the Coronavirus at the Fort Lauderdale Executive Airport - \$148,000 - **(Commission District 1)**

Recommendation

Staff recommends the City Commission adopt a resolution authorizing the City Manager to accept grant funds from the Federal Aviation Administration (“FAA”) on behalf of the City and authorize the City Manager to finalize the terms and conditions of the Grant Agreement with the FAA, and execute the Grant Agreement with the FAA for the American Rescue Grant Program (ARGP) and the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) for the response to the Coronavirus in the amount of \$148,000, at the Fort Lauderdale Executive (FXE) Airport. The execution of the proposed Grant Agreement will be contingent upon review and approval of the Agreement by the City Attorney.

Background

The ARGP under the ARPA provides grant funding for costs related to operations, personnel, debt service payments, cleaning, sanitization, janitorial services, and air purification devices aimed at combating the spread of pathogens at FXE.

ARPA grant amounts were derived by a legislative formula with the purpose of prevention, preparation, and response to the coronavirus. Funds provided under the proposed Grant Agreement must only be used for purposes directly related to FXE. Grant funds may be used for reimbursement of an airport’s operational and maintenance expenses incurred no earlier than January 20, 2021, or to reimburse debt service payments which occurred on or after December 27, 2021.

Funds provided under the Grant will be governed by the same principles that govern airport revenue. New airport development projects may not be funded with proposed Grant, unless and until the Grant Agreement is amended or superseded by a subsequent agreement that addresses and authorizes the use of funds for any airport development project.

At the Aviation Advisory Board meeting of August 26, 2021, the Aviation Advisory Board supported staff's recommendation to accept the described grant.

To expedite the execution of the proposed Grant Agreement, staff is requesting to appropriate the anticipated grant funds and accept the grant, contingent upon the City Attorney's review prior to execution of the agreement. If the grant is not awarded, the related expenditures will be charged to the Airport Fund. Staff recommends the ARPA Grant Agreement be approved for the City to accept \$148,000 from the FAA for the prevention, preparation, and response to the Coronavirus.

Resource Impact

This action will result in a positive impact to the City in the amount of \$148,000, which will be appropriated to the accounts, below, contingent upon the approval of the Consolidated Budget Amendment on December 7, 2021, CAM #21-0928. This grant does not require matching funds.

Source:

| <i>Funds available as of December 7, 2021</i> | | | | | |
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| ACCOUNT NUMBER | INDEX NAME (Program) | CHARACTER CODE/ SUB-OBJECT NAME | AMENDED BUDGET (Character) | AVAILABLE BALANCE (Character) | AMOUNT |
| 468-GARPA21-C404 | American Rescue Plan Act Airport | Intergov't Revenue/ Federal Aviation Adm | N/A | N/A | \$148,000 |
| APPROPRIATION TOTAL ► | | | | | \$148,000 |

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| 468-GARPA21-3437 | American Rescue Plan Act Airport | Services/Materials /Imp Rep & Maint | N/A | N/A | \$148,000 |
| APPROPRIATION TOTAL ► | | | | | \$148,000 |

Strategic Connections

This item is a 2021 Commission Priority, advancing the COVID-19 Recovery and Safety Initiative.

This item supports the *Press Play Fort Lauderdale 2024* Strategic Plan, specifically advancing:

- The Internal Support Focus Area
- Goal 8: Build a leading government organization that manages all resources wisely and sustainably.
- Objective: Maintain financial integrity through sound budgeting practices, prudent fiscal management, cost effective operations, and long-term planning.

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

Related CAM

#21-0928

Attachment

Exhibit 1 – Resolution

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