



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

#24-0145

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

FROM: Greg Chavarria, City Manager

DATE: February 6, 2024

TITLE: Resolution Approving the Submission of a Grant Application to the Florida
Department of Transportation under the 2024 County Incentive Grant
Program - **(Commission District 2)**

Recommendation

Staff recommends the City Commission approve a resolution authorizing submittal of a grant application to the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) under the 2024 County Incentive Grant Program (CIGP) for the design and construction of infrastructure improvements on US-1/Federal Highway at NE 4 Street and NE 6 Street, in the amount up to \$500,000.

Background

The Florida Department of Transportation announced the start of the upcoming cycle for the Draft Tentative Work Program FY 2026 – FY 2030, and as a result, FDOT is now open for project proposals under the 2024 County Incentive Grant Program (CIGP) as defined by Section 339.2817 of the Florida Statutes.

The CIGP provides grants to counties to improve transportation facilities which are located on the State Highway System (SHS) or local roads that relieve traffic congestion on the SHS. The County reviews projects for eligibility under the CIGP program and prioritizes all projects for one submittal package to FDOT. FDOT has not issued any budget allocation amounts for this grant cycle.

In preparation for 2024 CIGP cycle, City staff met with Broward County to discuss the eligibility and appropriateness of submitting a project application focused on expanding the eastbound and westbound approaches along NE 4 Street and US-1/Federal Highway intersection, and the westbound approach of NE 6 Street and US-1/Federal Highway intersection. The proposed improvements would lengthen and repave the intersection approaches, install new pavement markings, curbs and other improvements. The proposed project is expected to increase side street roadway capacity, on both the approach and the intersection level of service.

The application requires support for the project and commitment from the local municipality to maintain the constructed improvements.

City staff plan to apply for a grant in the amount of up to \$500,000 which requires the City to provide a 50% match of up to \$250,000. The grant application is due on February 16, 2024. If selected for the award, the project must be added to the Local Metropolitan Planning Organization Long Range Transportation Plan within six months of selection.

Resource Impact

There is no fiscal impact associated with this action at this time, however, if the grant is awarded, there will be a positive fiscal impact of the amount granted and a 50% funding match required from the City.

Strategic Connections

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

Attachment

Exhibit 1 – Resolution

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