



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

**FROM:** Susan Grant, Acting City Manager

**DATE:** June 4, 2024

**TITLE:** Motion Approving an Agreement for the Florence C. Hardy Park  
Improvements - Conengineers Builders LLC - \$731,890.05 -  
**(Commission District 4)**

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**Recommendation**

Staff recommends the City Commission approve an Agreement, in substantially the form attached, for Florence C. Hardy Park Improvements with Conengineers Builders LLC in the amount of \$731,890.05, which includes allowances of \$10,276 for permits and testing.

**Background**

In January and February of 2021, the City and the City's engineering consultant, AECOM, conducted virtual public engagement sessions to gain public input on potential park improvement projects for the Parks Bond Program. AECOM presented a summary of the public engagement efforts and recommendations for park improvement projects to be completed in four (4) phases to the Parks, Recreation, and Beaches Advisory Board on March 24, 2021. The Phase 1 list of parks, which included Florence C. Hardy Park, and proposed park improvements were approved by the Board for recommendation to the City Commission.

The City Commission approved the Parks, Recreation, and Beaches Advisory Board's recommendation by resolution (Resolution No. 21-85) on May 4, 2021. The Scope of Work for Florence C. Hardy Park was developed based on the prioritized improvements identified through the Parks Bond Program public engagement process. The work to be accomplished under this agreement includes, but is not limited to:

- site improvements including erosion control, clearing and grubbing, cut and fill grading, tree protection, root pruning, pavement markings, demolition, removal of existing fence, and installation of new vinyl fence.
- playground improvements including but not limited to removal and demolition of existing playground, existing shade fabric, existing mulch, existing play equipment, existing fitness park gym equipment, existing benches, existing crushed shell trail, existing signs, removal, store and relocation of existing bleachers, among others.

- additional site improvements include but not limited to new concrete paving, curbs, preparation for new playground equipment and surfacing installation, new share fabric, fitness equipment bases safety surfacing turf, sidewalks, signs, benches, trash and recycle receptacle among others.

On February 5, 2024, the Procurement Services Division issued Invitation to Bid (ITB) Event No. 247 - Florence C. Hardy Park Improvements. Bids were due on March 8, 2024. Addendum No.1 extended the bid closing date to March 15, 2024. Addendum No. 2 extended the bid closing date again to March 29, 2024.

Two (2) proposals were received from Conengineers Builders LLC and Sagaris Corp. Neither bidder listed their status as a Disadvantaged Business Enterprise. Both firms were reviewed for compliance with the solicitation requirements and were deemed responsive and responsible. Conengineers Builders LLC was the low, responsive, and responsible bidder.

**Resource Impact**

There will be a fiscal impact to the City in the amount of \$731,890.05 for the contract award, which includes allowances of \$10,726 for permits and testing. Funds for this agreement in the amount of \$731,890.05 are available in the FY 2024 – FY 2028 Community Investment Plan in the account listed below.

<b>Funds available as of May 9, 2024</b>					
<b>ACCOUNT NUMBER</b>	<b>COST CENTER NAME (Program)</b>	<b>CHARACTER/ACCOUNT NAME</b>	<b>AMENDED BUDGET (Character)</b>	<b>AVAILABLE BALANCE (Character)</b>	<b>AMOUNT</b>
10-353-6999-572-60-6599-P12651	Florence C Hardy Park	Capital Outlay / Construction	\$2,585,000	\$994,359	\$731,890
<b>TOTAL AMOUNT ►</b>					<b>\$731,890</b>

\* Includes funds in the amount of \$680,000 committed/available in requisition 8217.

**Strategic Connections**

This item is a 2024 *Commission Priority*, advancing the Public Places initiative.

This item supports the *Press Play Fort Lauderdale 2029* Strategic Plan, specifically advancing:

- The Public Places Focus Area, Goal 5: Build a beautiful and welcoming community.

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

This item supports the *Advance Fort Lauderdale 2040* Comprehensive Plan, specifically advancing:

- The Public Places Focus Area
- The Parks, Recreation, and Open Space Element

- Goal 2: Be a community with high quality parks and recreational facilities that highlight the character of our City.

**Attachments**

Exhibit 1 – Parks, Recreation, and Beaches Advisory Board Meeting Minutes 03/24/2021

Exhibit 2 – Resolution No. 21-85

Exhibit 3 – Solicitation

Exhibit 4 – Bid Tabulation

Exhibit 5 – Conceptual Design/Rendering

Exhibit 6 – Agreement

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