



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

#22-0362

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

FROM: Chris Lagerbloom, ICMA-CM, City Manager

DATE: June 21, 2022

TITLE: Motion Accepting a Grant from Broward County for Broward Coastal Dune
Restoration - \$5,000 – **(Commission District 1, 2 and 4)**

Recommendation

Staff recommends the City Commission approve a motion accepting a Broward County Coastal Dune Restoration Grant and authorizing the City Manager to enter into an agreement with Broward County, in substantially the form attached, to preserve the dunes located on Fort Lauderdale Beach.

Background

The purpose of the Coastal Dune Restoration Grant Program is to promote the enhancement, restoration and preservation of existing dunes located along Broward County's shoreline. Vegetated dunes help to trap and anchor windblown sand, and when well established, dunes enhance coastal defenses by absorbing additional wave energy and maintaining a sand reservoir that helps minimize erosion. In recognition of the importance of preserving Fort Lauderdale's beach dunes, Parks and Recreation Department staff applied for a Coastal Dune Restoration Grant as released by Broward County's Environmental Planning and Community Resilience Division. Staff subsequently learned that Fort Lauderdale would be a recipient of such grant funds.

Grant funds will be used to plant sea oat seedlings to preserve and protect the dunes located on Fort Lauderdale Beach. Grant awards do not exceed \$5,000 and require a 50% cost share (either cash or in-kind services). Project installation will be performed by staff as the grant's in-kind match.

Broward County provides the grant funds on a reimbursable basis to support enhancement projects. Project funds must be expended within one year of execution of the grant award.

Resource Impact

There is a positive fiscal impact in the estimated amount of \$5,000, associated with this item. Funds were previously appropriated via the May 3, 2022, Consolidated Budget CAM, 22-0014.

| Funds available as of April 26, 2022 | | | | | |
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| ACCOUNT NUMBER | INDEX NAME (Program) | CHARACTER CODE/ SUB-OBJECT NAME | AMENDED BUDGET (Character) | AVAILABLE BALANCE (Character) | AMOUNT |
| 129-GDUNE22-F304 | 2022 Coastal Grant Dune | Intergovernment Revenue/Broward County - Physical Environment | \$0 | \$0 | \$5,000.00 |
| TOTAL AMOUNT → | | | | | \$5,000.00 |

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| 129-GDUNE22-3999 | 2022 Coastal Grant Dune | Services/Materials - Other Supplies | \$0 | \$0 | \$5,000.00 |
| TOTAL AMOUNT → | | | | | \$5,000.00 |

Strategic Connection

This item is a 2022 Top Commission Priority, advancing the Parks and Public Places initiative.

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

- The Public Places Focus Area
- Goal 3: Be a healthy and engaging community.
- Objective 1: Improve access to and enjoyment of our beach, waterways, parks, and open spaces for everyone.

This item advances the *Fast Forward Fort Lauderdale Vision Plan 2035: 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 3: Showcase the natural beauty and spirit of Fort Lauderdale by highlighting our parks and recreational facilities and planning for resiliency to adapt to climate change.

Attachments

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Exhibit 1 – Grant Pre-Application Form

Exhibit 2 – Coastal Dune Restoration Grant Agreement

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