

RESOLUTION NO. 13-

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE SUBMITTAL OF AN APPLICATION TO BROWARD COUNTY FOR GRANT FUNDING IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1.5 MILLION THROUGH THE BROWARD REDEVELOPMENT PROGRAM (BRP) FOR THE NE 13TH STREET COMPLETE STREET PROJECT FROM NE 4TH AVENUE TO NE 9TH AVENUE.

WHEREAS, the Broward County Board of County Commissioners have announced a funding opportunity for local governments and Community Redevelopment Agencies for redevelopment projects in defined redevelopment areas that can demonstrate existing conditions of blight, high unemployment, and declining property values; and

WHEREAS, the Broward Redevelopment Program (BRP) is a grant program created by utilizing \$15 Million Dollars from a prior Broward County redevelopment program – the Redevelopment Capital Program; and

WHEREAS, the BRP application requires an official form of support of the application from the City Commission and the CRA Board; and

WHEREAS, the Central City CRA Advisory Board passed a motion at its June 5, 2013 meeting requesting that staff submit an application for BRP funding for the NE 13th Street Complete Street Project from NE 4th Avenue to NE 9th Avenue (excluding the FEC Railway); and

WHEREAS, a local funding match is required, but no specific amount is identified in the BRP program information and the local funding match must be from non-County funds or through in-kind services; and

WHEREAS, the Central City Redevelopment Area Trust Fund does not have funding available at this time to provide a cash match; however, the 13th Street Alliance has committed to a contribution of \$5,000 in cash and in-kind services and City staff is recommending matching funds in the amount of \$100,000 from the Storm Water Fund to cover expenses associated with improvements to the storm water system included in the project; and

WHEREAS, the improvements to NE 13th St are identified in the City's Community Investment Plan; and

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WHEREAS, this improvement project will consist of roadway redesign, new wider sidewalks, on street parking, color enhanced bike lanes, in ground LED lights, shade trees and ADA improvements; and

WHEREAS, this project is part of the redevelopment vision and Plan for the Central City Community Redevelopment Area; and

WHEREAS, this project would improve safety, lower transportation costs, promote economic development, increase property values, foster a green environment and encourage a healthier community by encouraging walking and biking;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA:

SECTION 1. That the City Commission hereby authorizes the submittal of an application to Broward County through the Broward County Redevelopment Program for grant funding in the amount of \$1.5 million for the Ne 13TH Street Complete Street Project from NE 4th Avenue to NE 9th Avenue.

SECTION 2. That this Resolution shall be in full force and effect upon final passage.

ADOPTED this the ___ day of _____, 2013.

Mayor
JOHN P. "JACK" SEILER

ATTEST:

City Clerk
JONDA K. JOSEPH