



CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE
City Commission Agenda Memo
REGULAR MEETING

#20-0637

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

FROM: Chris Lagerbloom, ICMA-CM, City Manager

DATE: September 1, 2020

TITLE: Resolution Approving a Grant Agreement Between the City of Fort
Lauderdale, Florida, and the State of Florida, Division of Emergency
Management for Grant Funds Related to COVID-19 – **(Commission
Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)**

Recommendation

It is recommended that the City Commission adopt a resolution approving a grant agreement for COVID-19 funding, in substantially the form attached, between the City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, and the State of Florida, Division of Emergency Management and authorize the City Manager to execute the grant agreement and to accept grant funding and execute any documents required to accept the grant funds.

Background

The United States Department of Homeland Security has awarded the State of Florida funds to reimburse municipalities for COVID expenditures. This emergency incident is expected to be funded by FEMA (75%), the State (12.5%) and the City (12.5%). Previous emergencies have at times had a smaller cost share for the City. To date, the exact cost sharing formula has not been determined. In addition, the City is anticipating CARES Act funding to be provided through an interlocal agreement with the County. To date, the City's share of those funds has not been determined, and any amounts received from the County for allowable expenses would be deducted from the amount claimed through FEMA.

The total expenditures related to this incident is unknown at this time. Projected expenditures are estimated at this time to be \$4,701,534 through December 2020. These expenses include Personal Protective Equipment purchased, costs of community programs including testing sites and food distribution, and staff overtime related to COVID. The City estimates it will receive \$3,526,150 in Federal funds from FEMA and \$587,692, from the State of Florida. The share to be borne by the City is estimated to be to be \$587,692 (City share will be lower when amount of County funding is determined).

The total grant funding and recovery amounts are contingent upon the Department of Homeland Security and State of Florida's review and appropriation of the project

worksheets or obligation.

Resource Impact

There is an estimated positive fiscal impact to the City in the amount of \$4,113,842 and an estimated local match of \$587,692.

Strategic Connections

This item is a *Press Play Fort Lauderdale Strategic Plan 2018* initiative, included within the Business Development Cylinder of Excellence, specifically advancing:

- Goal 12: Be a leading government organization, managing our resources wisely and sustainably

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

Attachments

Exhibit 1 – Grant Agreement No. Z1767

Exhibit 2 – Resolution

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