



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

**FROM:** Chris Lagerbloom, ICMA-CM, City Manager

**DATE:** April 20, 2021

**TITLE:** Resolution Approving a Public Transportation Grant Agreement with Florida Department of Transportation – Helistop Layout Plan and Obstruction Survey - 448966-1-94-01 - **(Commission District 4)**

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**Recommendation**

Staff recommends the City Commission adopt a Resolution approving a Public Transportation Grant Agreement (PTGA) accepting the anticipated grant funding of up to \$16,288 for the Fort Lauderdale Downtown Helistop (DT1) from the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) and authorize the City Manager to execute a PTGA on behalf of the City.

**Background**

The John Fuhrer Fort Lauderdale Downtown Helistop (DT1) is situated above the Riverwalk Center Garage in the heart of Fort Lauderdale’s dynamic downtown. The Helistop offers convenient access to the City’s Central Business District and many of Broward County’s government, financial, educational and cultural attractions located in Fort Lauderdale. The City of Fort Lauderdale owns and operates DT1. The Helistop Layout Plan (HLP) was last updated in July 1995. The current HLP is outdated and is not current with the surrounding structures that have been developed over the last 25 years.

The HLP scope of work includes survey for Fort Lauderdale Downtown Helistop. As part of the obstruction survey following work including, but not limited to helicopter touchdown lift off, helicopter final approach and take off, helistop planimetric data, helistop lighting, helistop marking and airspace analysis. As part of the layout plan design following work including, but not limited to design of helistop layout plan, narrative report, and Notice of Landing Area proposal.

FDOT has provided a PTGA in the amount of \$16,288 for the project costs. The grant match amount of \$16,288 is available in the Airport project budget.

### **Resource Impact**

There is an anticipated positive fiscal impact to the City for the grant in the amount of \$16,288, contingent upon the approval of the May 4, 2021, Consolidated Budget Amendment CAM 21-0094.

#### **Source:**

<b>Funds available as of March 30, 2021</b>					
<b>ACCOUNT NUMBER</b>	<b>INDEX NAME (Program)</b>	<b>CHARACTER CODE/ SUB-OBJECT NAME</b>	<b>AMENDED BUDGET (Character)</b>	<b>AVAILABLE BALANCE (Character)</b>	<b>AMOUNT</b>
468-GHELIST21-D479	Helistop Layout Plan & Obstruction Survey	State Grants/ Florida Department of Transportation	\$0	\$0	\$16,288
468-GHELIST21A-Q468	Helistop Layout Plan & Obstruction Survey	Other Sources/ Airport Enterprise Fund	\$0	\$0	\$16,288
				<b>APPROPRIATION TOTAL ►</b>	<b>\$32,576</b>

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468-GHELIST21-6534	Helistop Layout Plan & Obstruction Survey	Capital Outlay/ Consultant Engineering Fees	\$0	\$0	\$16,288
468-GHELIST21A-6534	Helistop Layout Plan & Obstruction Survey	Capital Outlay/ Consultant Engineering Fees	\$0	\$0	\$16,288
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### **Strategic Connections**

This item is a Top 2021 Commission Priority, advancing the Transportation and Traffic initiative.

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

- The Business Development Focus Area
- Goal 5: Build an attractive global and local economic community marketplace.
- Objective: Provide best-in-class regional general aviation airport amenities and services

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

**Attachments**

Exhibit 1 – Public Transportation Grant Agreement No. 448966-1-94-01

Exhibit 2 – Resolution

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