



CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE
City Commission Agenda Memo
REGULAR MEETING

#23-0623

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

FROM: Greg Chavarria, City Manager

DATE: July 5, 2023

TITLE: Resolution Authorizing the Execution of a Sovereignty Submerged Land Easement with the Board of Trustees of the Internal Improvement Trust Fund of the State of Florida / BOT FILE NO. 061230996 – North New River Canal - **(Commission District 4)**

Recommendation

Staff recommends the City Commission approve the execution of a Sovereignty Submerged Land Easement with the Board of Trustees of the Internal Improvement Trust Fund of the State of Florida for the purposes of acquiring the use of sovereign lands solely for the continued operation and maintenance of a subaqueous water main crossing the North New River Canal.

Background

The City owns and operates a 12-inch diameter ductile iron water main which runs south under the North New River Canal and conveys water to the City of Davie Master Meter. This forcemain was constructed in 1988 and the Submerged Land Easement that was signed at that time has expired. The proposed Sovereignty Submerged Lands Easement with the Board of Trustees of the Internal Improvement Trust Fund of the State of Florida is necessary for the continued operation and maintenance of the existing water main beneath the North New River Canal.

Resource Impact

There is no fiscal impact to the City associated with this item.

Strategic Connections

This item is a *2022 Top Commission Priority*, advancing the Infrastructure and Resiliency initiative.

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

- The Infrastructure Focus Area
- Goal 1: Build a sustainable and resilient community
- Objective: Proactively maintain our water, wastewater, stormwater, road, and bridge infrastructure

This item advances the *Fast Forward Fort Lauderdale 2035 Vision Plan: We Are Ready*
This item supports the Advance Fort Lauderdale 2040 Comprehensive Plan specifically
advancing:

- The Infrastructure Focus Area
- The Sanitary Sewer, Water & Stormwater Element
- Goal 2: Develop and maintain an adequate wastewater collection and treatment system, which meets existing and projected needs of the City and adjacent users in the Central Wastewater Region.

Attachments

Exhibit 1 – Sovereignty Submerged Lands Easement

Exhibit 2 – Resolution

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