



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

FROM: Lee R. Feldman, ICMA-CM, City Manager

DATE: December 3, 2013

TITLE: Motion to approve Amendment No. 1 providing for a time extension, scope and other modifications to the grant agreement between the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) and the City of Fort Lauderdale (City) for River Oaks Stormwater Park Grant Funds

Recommendation

It is recommended that the City Commission approve the Amendment No. 1 to the grant agreement: 1) extending the deadline from August 31, 2013, to August 31, 2015, 2) modifying the work scope, 3) accepting the FDEP agreement modifications, and 4) authorizing the City Manager to execute all necessary documents on behalf of the City.

Background

On July 2, 2013, the City Commission approved a time extension and agreed to pursue a scope modification to the River Oaks Stormwater Park Grant that would be brought back for acceptance and approval at a later date. A fund balance of approximately \$151,000.00 exists for this grant due to the scope of work being brought to completion under budget. Staff reviewed the project and identified additional value that can be gained with the remaining grant funds in coordination and with approval from FDEP. The added value and benefits include:

- Additional design work to include a parking area, enhancing waterway access, and fencing;
- FDOT easement coordination;
- Any additional permitting work.

FDEP approved the additional scope of work (Exhibit 2) and has proposed additional contractual modifications as a function of this amendment in order to comply with current FDEP policies including:

- Amendment No. 1 (Exhibit 1)
- Grant Work Plan (Exhibit 2)
- Disbursement Request Package (Exhibit 3)
- Progress Report Form (Exhibit 4)
- Contract Payment Requirements (Exhibit 5)

This extension and additional scope will continue the progress of creating a storm water preserve in a low lying area that will provide some flood relief to the area. This project is consistent with the current intent and interest of the City's support for the strategic initiatives for public places, neighborhood enhancement, infrastructure, and public safety.

Resource Impact

There is no fiscal impact associated with this action.

Strategic Connections

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

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

- **Goal 2:** Be a sustainable and resilient community.
- **Objective 2:** Reduce flooding and adapt to sea level rise.

Related CAM: #13-0806

Attachments: Exhibit 1 – Amendment No. 1
Exhibit 2 – Grant Work Plan
Exhibit 3 – Disbursement Request Package
Exhibit 4 – Progress Report Form
Exhibit 5 – Contract Payment Requirements

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