



CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE
City Commission Agenda Memo
REGULAR MEETING

#21-0546

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

FROM: Chris Lagerbloom, ICMA-CM, City Manager

DATE: September 9, 2021

TITLE: Motion Authorizing Execution of a Revocable License with Steven B. Greenfield, as Trustee of the Flagler Village Land Trust, for Temporary Right-of-Way Closures on NE 7th Street, NE 5th Avenue, and NE 8th Street in Association with the Quantum at Flagler Village Development Located at 701 – 723 North Federal Highway – **(Commission District 2)**

Recommendation

Staff recommends the City Commission consider and approve a motion authorizing the execution of a Revocable License with Steven B. Greenfield, as Trustee of the Flagler Village Land Trust, owner of the Quantum at Flagler Village development, for the temporary right-of-way closures on NE 7th Street, NE 5th Avenue, and NE 8th Street contiguous to the Quantum at Flagler Village development.

Background

The subject project consists of 337 multi-family residential units, 137 hotel rooms, 20,921 square feet of ground floor retail with structured parking for 662 parking spaces. The site plan received City approval in October 2015 (DRC Case #R15001) for two 15-story (169-foot high) residential towers, a 9-story (120-foot high) hotel building, and a 1-story commercial retail building, with a total gross floor area of 895,589 square feet. The temporary right-of-way closure timeframe for the three construction phases will be a total of 12 months. On-site construction is currently in progress and the developer is ready to proceed with construction of the off-site improvements within City right-of-way, subject to the approval of this Revocable License and Maintenance of Traffic (MOT) permit. The “Location Map” is attached as Exhibit 1.

The proposed closures are being requested as a safety measure for pedestrians and motorists due to the limitations of the site and proximity of construction to the right-of-way. Private properties along the east and west sides of adjacent NE 5th Avenue will not be restricted access at any time, and a minimum of 18-foot backout access will be maintained for properties on the west side during the Phase 2 and 3 lane closures. The proposed closures are summarized in the table below and graphically shown in the “License Areas”, attached as Exhibit 2 and the “Detour Plan”, attached as Exhibit 3. A copy of the “Revocable License” is attached as Exhibit 4. A summary of license area closures and

timeline are shown in the table below.

LICENSE AREA CLOSURES					
License Area	Location	Duration	Exist R/W Width	Exist S/W	Description
1	NE 7 th St, NE 5 th Ave & NE 8 th St	12 Months	40'	N/A	Approximately 10' width along site frontage – continuous closure of adjacent swale area, to facilitate safety, security and construction of the improvements on the property and within City R/W
2	NE 7 th St, NE 5 th Ave (South Portion)	1 Month	40'	N/A	Approximately 10' width along site frontage – continuous closure of adjacent travel lane, detour required (see Detour Plan), to facilitate construction of public amenities within City R/W
1	NE 8 th St, NE 5 th Ave (North Portion)	1 Month	40'	N/A	Approximately 10' width along site frontage – continuous closure of adjacent swale area, to facilitate construction of public amenities within City R/W
1	NE 7 th St, NE 5 th Ave (South Portion)	1 Month	40'	N/A	Approximately 10' width along site frontage – continuous closure of adjacent swale area, to facilitate construction of public amenities within City R/W
3	NE 8 th St, NE 5 th Ave (North Portion)	1 Month	40'	N/A	Approximately 10' width along site frontage – continuous closure of adjacent travel lane, detour required (see Detour Plan), to facilitate construction of public amenities within City R/W

License Area to be closed	Phase	Duration of Project (Months)												
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	
1	1													
1, 2	2													
1, 3	3													

The proposed MOT plan is not anticipated to present any conflicts with construction projects in this area. The Revocable License authorizes the City Manager with the ability to extend the term of the Phase 1 closure up to 120 days, and the Phase 2 & 3 closures up to 60 days each, if necessary.

Resource Impact

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

Strategic Connections

This item is a *2021 Commission* Priority, advancing the Smart Growth initiative.

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

- The Infrastructure Focus Area

- Goal 2: Build a multi-modal and pedestrian friendly community
- Objective: Improve roads, sidewalks, and trails to prioritize a safer, more walkable and bikeable community

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

This item supports the *Advance Fort Lauderdale 2040 Comprehensive Plan*, specifically advancing:

- The Infrastructure Focus Area
- The Transportation & Mobility Element
- Goal 1: Ensure the equitable development of a Complete Network for transportation that prioritizes Safety and emphasizes multimodal mobility and accessibility.

Attachments

Exhibit 1 – Location Map

Exhibit 2 – License Areas

Exhibit 3 – Detour Plan

Exhibit 4 – Revocable License

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