



**CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE  
City Commission Agenda Memo  
REGULAR MEETING**

**#24-0292**

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

**FROM:** Greg Chavarria, City Manager

**DATE:** April 2, 2024

**TITLE:** Resolution Delegating the Authority to the City Manager to Execute a Project Agreement Accepting a Grant for up to \$5,644.00 from the Florida Inland Navigation District – Small Scale Derelict Vessel Removal Program to Remove a Derelict Vessel from the Cooley’s Landing Marina – **(Commission District 2)**

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**Recommendation**

Staff recommends the City Commission approve a Resolution authorizing the City Manager to Execute a Project Agreement (ICW-BR-FL-23-023 between the City of Fort Lauderdale and the Florida Inland Navigation District (FIND) providing funding from FIND in the amount up to \$5,644.00. but in no event more than 75% of the City’s out of pocket costs (“Project Amount”) for the removal of an abandoned derelict 36’ vessel “It is What it Is” from the Cooley’s Landing Marina (hereinafter “Project”) and any other documents reasonably necessary and ancillary to the implementation and completion of the Project Agreement and Project. This Grant requires a city match of \$1,881.00.

**Background**

The Florida Inland Navigation District (FIND) administers the Waterway Assistance Program (WAP) program. FIND provides funding assistance to local governments within the District to provide public access to area waterways through boat ramps, floating docks and derelict vessel removal.

A 36’ vessel, “It is What it Is” was abandoned and sunk at the Cooley’s Landing Marina and the City of Fort Lauderdale Police Marine Unit deemed the vessel derelict and authorized the City to remove the vessel on September 25, 2023. On October 19, 2023, Sea Tow Fort Lauderdale salvaged, removed and disposed of the derelict vessel for the City at a cost of \$7,525.00.

The Florida Inland Navigation District Small Scale Derelict Vessel Removal Program will fund up to 75%, or in this case \$5,644.00 of the costs needed to salvage and properly dispose of this abandoned vessel. The remaining costs of \$1,881.00 to remove the vessel will be funded by the City.

**Resource Impact**

This action will result in a positive impact to the City in the amount of \$5,644 which will be appropriated to the accounts below contingent upon the approval of the Consolidated Budget Amendment CAM 24-0321.

Grant

Source:

<i>Funds available as of March 19, 2024</i>					
ACCOUNT NUMBER	COST CENTER NAME	CHARACTER CODE/ ACCOUNT NAME	AMENDED BUDGET (Character)	AVAILABLE BALANCE (Character)	AMOUNT
10-129-9300-529-334-700-23GFINDA	Removal of Abandoned Derelict 28' Carver Motor Yacht	State Grant - Culture/Recreation	\$0	\$0	\$5,644
<b>TOTAL AMOUNT →</b>					<b>\$5,644</b>

Revenue

Use:

ACCOUNT NUMBER	COST CENTER NAME	CHARACTER CODE/ ACCOUNT NAME	AMENDED BUDGET (Character)	AVAILABLE BALANCE (Character)	AMOUNT
10-129-9300-529-30-3299-24GFINDA	Removal of Abandoned Derelict 28' Carver Motor Yacht	Services/Materials - Other Services	\$0	\$0	\$5,644
<b>TOTAL AMOUNT →</b>					<b>\$5,644</b>

Expense

**Strategic Connections**

This item is a 2024 Commission Priority advancing the Public Places initiative.

This item is a *Press Play Fort Lauderdale Strategic Plan 2029*, specifically advancing:

- The Public Places Focus Area
- Goal 5: Build a beautiful and welcoming community

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

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

- The Public Places Focus Area
- The Parks, Recreation & Open Space Element
- Goal 2: Be a community with high quality parks and recreational facilities that highlight the character of our City.

**Related CAM**  
24-0321

**Attachments**

Exhibit 1 – Grant Pre-Application Form

Exhibit 2 – Project Agreement ICW-BR-FL-23-02

Exhibit 3 – Resolution

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