



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

#14-0952

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

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

DATE: August 19, 2014

TITLE: Motion to Approve Acceptance of Fiscal Year 2014-2015 Broward County
Enhanced Marine Law Enforcement Grant Program Funds - \$163,920

Recommendation

It is recommended that the City Commission approve a contract accepting grant funds in the amount of \$163,920 from the 2014-2015 Broward County Enhanced Marine Law Enforcement Grant Program and authorize the City Manager to execute on behalf of the City.

Background

In January 2014, the City applied to Broward County for \$130,200 in funding through the Enhanced Marine Law Enforcement Grant (EMLEG) Program. The purpose of the EMLEG Grant Program is to improve boating safety in Broward County by enhancing or supplementing marine law enforcement activities and improving boating safety education. In July, the City was awarded a total of \$163,920 in EMLEG funding for FY 2014-2015. The City will use the awarded grant funds to continue "Operation Venice of America" by providing up to 3,680 hours of peak time waterway law enforcement patrols and marine law enforcement training. The period of performance is October 1, 2014 – September 30, 2015.

Resource Impact

Although the EMLEG grant program has increased its hourly reimbursement rate by \$2 per hour, \$44 per hour, the grant will not cover 100% of the cost of the department's overtime patrols. Subject to adoption of the 2014/2015 budget, sufficient overtime funding will be available in the Police Department overtime budget to cover the difference, which is estimated at approximately \$61,600.

Strategic Connections

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

- Goal 9: Be the safest urban coastal City in South Florida through preventative and responsive police and fire protection.
- Objective 1: Prevent and solve crime in all neighborhoods.

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

Attachment

Exhibit 1 - Award Letter and Subgrant Agreement

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