



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

#22-1178

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

FROM: Greg Chavarria, City Manager

DATE: January 10, 2023

TITLE: Motion Approving Task Order Number One of the Transportation Planning Services Interlocal Agreement with Broward Metropolitan Planning Organization For Transportation Planning Services For Analysis of the New River Passenger Rail Crossing Alternatives- \$500,000 - **(Commission District 4)**

Recommendation

Staff recommends the City Commission approve Task Order Number One, in substantially the form attached, of the Transportation Planning Services Interlocal Agreement with the Broward Metropolitan Planning Organization (BMPO) for Transportation Planning Services for further analysis of the New River Passenger Rail Crossing Alternatives, in the not-to-exceed amount of \$500,000.

Background

On May 4, 2021, the City Commission approved an Interlocal Agreement (ILA) for Planning Services with the Broward Metropolitan Planning Organization. The ILA includes the terms and conditions for providing general planning services to the City of Fort Lauderdale ("City") and allows the City to utilize the BMPO's library of consultants. The City of Fort Lauderdale, via Task Order Number One, seeks to access and utilize the BMPO's library of general planning consultant resources to provide professional transportation planning services to further evaluate the New River passenger rail crossing alternatives and the City's downtown corridor.

The proposed Task Order Number One identifies the scope of services, performance schedule, and funding processes. The services will be provided for this Task Order in the amount not to exceed \$500,000. The City will provide the BMPO with a \$500,000 payment which will be used by the BMPO to pay for the services rendered by the selected consultant. The BMPO will not impose an administrative fee on this task work order.

The study will include seven tasks to further define and clarify previous studies completed by the Florida Department of Transportation.

- The seven tasks include:
- Task 1 – Project Overview
 - Task 2 – Rail Operator Engagement
 - Task 3 – Capital Cost Analysis
 - Task 4 – Operating and Maintenance Analysis
 - Task 5 – Grant Opportunities
 - Task 6 – Comparative Case Studies
 - Task 7 – Assessment of Permittability

The City of Fort Lauderdale and Broward County are partnering on the further analysis of the New River passenger rail crossing alternatives. In a separate proposed Interlocal Agreement scheduled for an upcoming City Commission date, CAM 23-0078, the City and County will define their roles and funding responsibilities (50/50 split).

Resource Impact

There is a fiscal impact associated with this action that will be determined at once a consulting firm is selected. The estimated project cost is \$500,000 with the City funding the initiative and being reimbursed by Broward County for 50% of the expenses resulting in an anticipated \$250,000 cost to the City.

Funds available as of January 5, 2022					
ACCOUNT NUMBER	COST CENTER NAME (Program)	CHARACTER/ ACCOUNT NAME	AMENDED BUDGET (Character)	AVAILABLE BALANCE (Character)	AMOUNT
10-001-8040-515-40-4299	Transportation Planning	Other Operational Expenses/ Other Contributions	\$903,947	\$877,973	\$500,000
TOTAL AMOUNT ►					\$500,000

Strategic Connections:

This is *Top 2022 Commission Priority*, advancing the Transportation and Traffic 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 transportation options and reduce congestion by working with partners

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

Attachments

Exhibit 1 – Interlocal Agreement for Transportation Planning Services

Exhibit 2 – Task Order Number One

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