



CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE
City Commission Agenda Memo
REGULAR MEETING

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

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

DATE: April 3, 2018

TITLE: Motion Authorizing Execution of a Revocable License Agreement with BR ArchCo Flagler Village LLC for Temporary Right-of-Way Closures on Sistrunk Boulevard, NE 5th Street and NE 1st Avenue in association with the ArchCo Metropolitan project Located at 500 North Andrews Avenue

Recommendation

It is recommended that the City Commission approve a motion to authorize the execution of a Revocable License Agreement with BR ArchCo Flagler Village, LLC for temporary right-of-way closures on Sistrunk Boulevard, NE 5th Street and NE 1st Avenue, contiguous to the ArchCo Metropolitan development project.

Background

The ArchCo Metropolitan is a proposed seven-story development consisting of 385 residential units and approximately 27,000 square feet of ground floor retail and restaurant space. The project has received final site plan approval and is ready to proceed with construction. The closures are being requested as a public safety measure during construction. The Location Map is attached as Exhibit 1. A copy of the Revocable License Agreement is attached as Exhibit 2.

The proposed phasing for the closures is described as follows:

Phase 1 – Twenty Four (24) Month Duration: Close the sidewalk/swale areas along NE 5th Street, NE 1st Avenue, and Sistrunk Boulevard as shown in the sketch and legal description labeled as “Phase 1” in the Revocable License Agreement. These closures consist of the sidewalk/swale area along NE 5th Street, the swale area along NE 1st Avenue, and a portion of the sidewalk along Sistrunk Boulevard. A four (4) foot wide path with overhead structural canopy will be maintained to facilitate pedestrian travel on the south side of Sistrunk Boulevard at all times.

Phase 2 – Four (4) Week Duration: Close a portion of the southbound travel lane of NE 1st Avenue in order to construct improvements within the right-of-way as shown in the sketch and legal description labeled as “Phase 2” in the Revocable License Agreement. The work will include construction of a drainage system,

parking stalls and paving. This closure is expected to commence between July and August of 2018 with the balance of the work to be completed between July and September of 2019. Flaggers will be provided on both sides of the proposed closure in order to facilitate two-way northbound and southbound vehicular travel on NE 1st Avenue at all times. The closure will be opened to traffic during non-working hours.

Phase 3A – Five (5) Day Duration: Close a portion of the eastbound travel lane and a portion of the westbound turn lane of Sistrunk Boulevard for approximately five (5) days as shown in the sketch and legal description labeled as “Phase 3A” in the Revocable License Agreement. The closure is for constructing utility, streetscape and parking improvements within the right-of-way. This closure is expected to commence between July and September of 2019. The Applicant acknowledges that this closure cannot be done during daytime hours.

Phase 3B – Two (2) Week Duration: Close a portion of the eastbound travel lane of Sistrunk Boulevard as shown in the sketch and legal description labeled as “Phase 3B” in the Revocable License Agreement. The closure is for constructing utility, streetscape and parking improvements in the right-of-way. This closure is expected to commence between October and December of 2019. Applicant acknowledges that this closure cannot be done during daytime hours.

Phase 4A – Three (3) Week Duration: Close a portion of the southbound travel lane of NE 1st Avenue as shown in the sketch and legal description labeled as “Phase 4A” in the Revocable License Agreement. The closure is for construction of streetscape and parking improvements within the right-of-way. This phase is similar to Phase 2, and is expected to commence between October and December of 2019. Flaggers will be provided on both sides of the proposed closure in order to facilitate two-way northbound and southbound vehicular travel on NE 1st Avenue at all times. The closure will be opened to traffic to the maximum extent practicable to ensure public safety during non-working hours.

Phase 4B – Two (2) Week Duration: Close a portion of the westbound travel lane of NE 5th Street as shown in the sketch and legal description labeled as “Phase 4B” in the Revocable License Agreement. The closure is for constructing streetscape and parking improvements within the right-of-way. This phase is expected to commence between October and December of 2019. Flaggers will be provided on both sides of the closure in order to facilitate two-way eastbound and westbound vehicular travel on NE 5th Street at all times. The closure will be opened to traffic to the maximum extent practicable to ensure public safety during non-working hours.

Since Andrews Avenue is under Broward County jurisdiction, the applicant has obtained a license from that agency to close the sidewalk on the east side of Andrews Avenue for a period of two (2) years; however, the applicant has agreed to limit the duration of that closure to 180 days, which they affirm is absolutely necessary to allow for the foundation work adjacent to the right-of-way. After the 180 days the sidewalk will be opened for

pedestrian travel, with overhead structural canopy protection for public safety.

The license areas will displace three (3) un-metered on-street public parking spaces. There are no existing metered on-street parking spaces adjacent to the development site. New on-street parking and sidewalks will be provided by the project in accordance with the site plan approval requirements.

City staff has reviewed the proposed maintenance of traffic plan and do not anticipate any conflicts with construction projects in this area.

Resource Impact

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

Strategic Connections

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

- Goal 7: Be a well-positioned City within the global economic and tourism markets of the South Florida region, leveraging our airports, port, and rail connections.
- Objective 2: Facilitate a responsive and proactive business climate.

This item advances the *Fast Forward Fort Lauderdale 2035 Vision Plan: We are Prosperous*.

Attachments

Exhibit 1 – Location Map

Exhibit 2 – Revocable License Agreement

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