



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

**#25-0562**

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

**FROM:** Rickelle Williams, City Manager

**DATE:** June 30, 2025

**TITLE:** Resolution Approving the Consolidated Budget Amendment to Fiscal Year  
2025 – Appropriation - **(Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)**

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**Recommendation**

Staff recommends the City Commission adopt a resolution amending the Fiscal Year (FY) 2025 Operating Budget and the FY 2025 – FY 2029 Community Investment Plan (CIP) and abandoning the Lauderdale Manors Entrance project.

**Background**

Examples of recommended actions within the budget amendment are:

- transfer between funds;
- transfer between capital and operating budgets;
- transfer between capital projects;
- acceptance and appropriation of grant funding;
- appropriation from fund balance; and
- appropriation for modified revenue and related expenditures.

Staff recommends the City Commission amend the FY 2025 Final Budget, and the FY 2025 – FY 2029 Community Investment Plan, by approving the following transfers and appropriations:

## Parks and Recreation

### **A. Transfer Between Capital Projects – GO Bond 2020 Construction – Parks – Lauderdale Manors Entrance to Chateau Park – \$235,000 (District 3)**

#### ***Abandoning Lauderdale Manors Entrance Project***

On March 26, 2025, the Parks, Recreation, and Beaches Advisory Board unanimously approved a motion recommending a proposal to remove the Lauderdale Manors Entrance project from the Parks Bond and reallocate its full funding of \$235,000 to Chateau Park. It was determined that Lauderdale Manors is private land for which public funds cannot be utilized to improve. Chateau Park is a few minutes away and will have the amenities needed to serve the surrounding community.

The \$235,000 originally allocated to the Lauderdale Manors Entrance project is now available for transfer to Chateau Park, which currently has \$100,000 in funding. This reallocation would increase Chateau Park's total budget to \$335,000. Planned improvements at Chateau Park include:

- Sidewalk installation
- Site furnishings such as benches and trash cans
- Playground construction

Staff recommends that the City Commission amend the FY 2025 – FY 2029 Community Investment Plan to reflect the transfer of \$235,000 from Lauderdale Manors Entrance to Chateau Park. This is contingent upon the approval of CAM #25-0588 approving the use of Parks Bond Funds.

#### **Source:**

<b><i>Funds available as of May 27, 2025</i></b>					
<b>ACCOUNT NUMBER</b>	<b>COST CENTER NAME</b>	<b>CHARACTER CODE/ ACCOUNT NAME</b>	<b>AMENDED BUDGET (Character)</b>	<b>AVAILABLE BALANCE (Character)</b>	<b>AMOUNT</b>
10-353-6999- 572-60-6599- P12659	Lauderdale Manors Entrance	Capital Outlay/ Construction	\$235,000	\$235,000	\$235,000
<b>TOTAL AMOUNT →</b>					<b>\$235,000</b>

#### **Use:**

<b>ACCOUNT NUMBER</b>	<b>COST CENTER NAME</b>	<b>CHARACTER CODE/ ACCOUNT NAME</b>	<b>AMENDED BUDGET (Character)</b>	<b>AVAILABLE BALANCE (Character)</b>	<b>AMOUNT</b>
10-353-6999- 572-60-6599- P12646	Chateau Park	Capital Outlay/ Construction	\$100,000	\$100,000	\$235,000
<b>TOTAL AMOUNT →</b>					<b>\$235,000</b>

**B. Appropriation from Fund Balance – GO Bond 2020 Construction – Parks – YMCA Aquatic Facility at Holiday Park – \$2,000,000 (Districts 1 and 2)**

On June 19, 2025, the City of Fort Lauderdale entered into a grant agreement with the Young Men’s Christian Association (YMCA) to assist with the construction costs of a public swimming pool to be located at Holiday Park. As part of this effort, the YMCA will construct a new pool facility to expand recreational opportunities and promote community well-being. This project represents a key element of the broader redevelopment initiative at Holiday Park and will provide long-term benefits to residents. The Parks, Recreation, and Beaches Advisory Board unanimously supported a motion that the City transfer \$2 million in funds programmed for land acquisition to support the YMCA project at its October 23, 2024 meeting.

The YMCA is developing a new aquatic facility at Holiday Park designed to address community needs related to water safety, public health, and recreational access. The facility will include a 25-yard, six-lane pool constructed in accordance with Florida High School Athletic Association standards, as well as a teaching pool with enhanced accessibility features. Additional offerings will include lifeguard training programs, swim safety education, and open swim access for the public. A surrounding pool deck will also serve as a community gathering space for families and local events.

Funding is currently available in the Parks Bond Fund to support this initiative by utilizing funds programmed for parks land acquisition in Commission Districts 1 and 2.

Staff recommends the City Commission amend the FY 2025 Operating Budget and FY 2025 – FY 2029 Community Investment Plan in the amount of \$2,000,000 for the construction of the YMCA Aquatic Facility at Holiday Park.

**Source:**

<b>Funds available as of May 28, 2025</b>					
<b>ACCOUNT NUMBER</b>	<b>COST CENTER NAME</b>	<b>CHARACTER CODE/ ACCOUNT NAME</b>	<b>AMENDED BUDGET (Character)</b>	<b>AVAILABLE BALANCE (Character)</b>	<b>AMOUNT</b>
10-353-0000-000-399-999	Parks & Recreation Capital Projects	Balances & Reserves/ Appropriated Fund Balance	N/A	N/A	\$2,000,000
<b>TOTAL AMOUNT →</b>					<b>\$2,000,000</b>

**Use:**

<b>ACCOUNT NUMBER</b>	<b>COST CENTER NAME</b>	<b>CHARACTER CODE/ ACCOUNT NAME</b>	<b>AMENDED BUDGET (Character)</b>	<b>AVAILABLE BALANCE (Character)</b>	<b>AMOUNT</b>
10-353-6999-572-60-6599-P12986	YMCA Holiday Park Grant	Capital Outlay/ Construction	\$0	\$0	\$2,000,000
<b>TOTAL AMOUNT →</b>					<b>\$2,000,000</b>

**C. Appropriation of Grant Funds – Grant Fund – Summer Food Service Program - \$125,648.88 (Citywide)**

The City of Fort Lauderdale was awarded funding in the amount of \$125,648.88 from the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services to provide free nutritional lunches and snacks at the various City parks from June 16, 2025 to August 1, 2025. Funding will include lunches and snacks, operational expenses such as equipment, supplies and part-time staff, and program monitoring. No cash match is required.

Staff recommends that the City Commission amend the FY 2025 Operating Budget by amending the appropriate accounts in the Grants Fund in the amount of \$125,648.88 to facilitate the Summer Food Service Program.

**Source:**

<i>Funds available as of June 11, 2025</i>					
ACCOUNT NUMBER	COST CENTER NAME	CHARACTER CODE/ ACCOUNT NAME	AMENDED BUDGET (Character)	AVAILABLE BALANCE (Character)	AMOUNT
10-129-9300-572-331-702-25GFOD	2025 Summer Food Service Program	Intergovt/Us Dept of Agriculture	\$0	\$0	\$125,648.88
<b>TOTAL AMOUNT →</b>					<b>\$125,648.88</b>

**Use:**

ACCOUNT NUMBER	COST CENTER NAME	CHARACTER CODE/ ACCOUNT NAME	AMENDED BUDGET (Character)	AVAILABLE BALANCE (Character)	AMOUNT
10-129-9300-572-30-3231-25GFOD	2025 Summer Food Service Program	Services / Materials - Food Services	\$0	\$0	\$125,648.88
<b>TOTAL AMOUNT →</b>					<b>\$125,648.88</b>

**Public Works**

**D. Appropriation from Fund Balance – Central Regional Wastewater System – Operations Fund – George T. Lohmeyer Regional Plant Liquid Oxygen Costs - \$2,100,000 (Citywide)**

The George T. Lohmeyer Wastewater Treatment Plant (GTL WWTP) utilizes high purity oxygen to treat incoming wastewater to a regulatory level dictated by the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP). The City's vacuum pressure swing adsorption system (VPSA), which serves as the primary producer of oxygen for the plant, has experienced challenges and is currently undergoing evaluation for corrective actions. In the interim, it has become necessary to purchase daily deliveries of liquid oxygen to sustain the biological treatment process at the plant.

On average, the plant uses about 25 tons of liquid oxygen per day at a cost of \$249 a ton. Thus, the average liquid oxygen cost is \$185,000 per month. As a result, staff is projecting a budget shortfall in the Lohmeyer Regional Plant Operations fund in the amount of \$2,100,000.

Funding is available in the Central Region Wastewater System Fund balance for this increased operational cost.

Staff recommends that the City Commission amend the FY 2025 Operating Budget in the amount of \$2,100,000 for the George T. Lohmeyer Regional Plant liquid oxygen costs.

**Source:**

<b><i>Funds available as of May 30, 2025</i></b>					
<b>ACCOUNT NUMBER</b>	<b>COST CENTER NAME</b>	<b>CHARACTER CODE/ ACCOUNT NAME</b>	<b>AMENDED BUDGET (Character)</b>	<b>AVAILABLE BALANCE (Character)</b>	<b>AMOUNT</b>
10-451-0000-000-399-999	Central Regional Wastewater System	Balance & Reserves/ Appropriated Fund Balance	N/A	N/A	\$2,100,000
<b>TOTAL AMOUNT →</b>					<b>\$2,100,000</b>

**Use:**

<b>ACCOUNT NUMBER</b>	<b>COST CENTER NAME</b>	<b>CHARACTER CODE/ ACCOUNT NAME</b>	<b>AMENDED BUDGET (Character)</b>	<b>AVAILABLE BALANCE (Character)</b>	<b>AMOUNT</b>
10-451-7424-536-30-3799	Lohmeyer Regional Plant Operations	Services/ Materials/ Other Chemicals	\$11,155,023	\$2,398,413	\$2,100,000
<b>TOTAL AMOUNT →</b>					<b>\$2,100,000</b>

**E. Transfer Between Capital Projects – Central Regional Wastewater Systems Operating Projects Fund – Freight Elevator Replacement at George T. Lohmeyer (GTL) Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP) - \$250,110 (District 4)**

The Freight Elevator Replacement - GTL WWTP project involves the replacement of the freight elevator located in the Dewatering Building at the George T. Lohmeyer Regional Wastewater Treatment Plant. During construction, the contractor identified several unanticipated site conditions that require additional work. In response, the City will re-engage the engineering consultant to revise project drawings based on feedback from the Building Services Division and expand construction management services.

Additional funding is being requested to support the work required to address these unforeseen conditions and to cover the costs associated with the continued involvement of the engineering consultant. Funding is available from the George T. Lohmeyer Infrastructure Replacement project, which is intended for this purpose.

Staff recommends that the City Commission approve an amendment to the FY 2025 – FY 2029 Community Investment Plan in the amount of \$250,110 to support the Freight Elevator Replacement at the George T. Lohmeyer Wastewater Treatment Plant.

**Source:**

<b><i>Funds available as of May 27, 2025</i></b>					
<b>ACCOUNT NUMBER</b>	<b>COST CENTER NAME</b>	<b>CHARACTER CODE/ ACCOUNT NAME</b>	<b>AMENDED BUDGET (Character)</b>	<b>AVAILABLE BALANCE (Character)</b>	<b>AMOUNT</b>
10-455-7999-536-60-6599-P12602	GTL Building Infrastructure Replacement	Capital Outlay/ Construction	\$820,000	\$585,433	\$250,110
<b>TOTAL AMOUNT →</b>					<b>\$250,110</b>

**Use:**

<b>ACCOUNT NUMBER</b>	<b>COST CENTER NAME</b>	<b>CHARACTER CODE/ ACCOUNT NAME</b>	<b>AMENDED BUDGET (Character)</b>	<b>AVAILABLE BALANCE (Character)</b>	<b>AMOUNT</b>
10-455-7999-536-60-6599-P12438	Freight Elevator Replacement - GTL WWTP	Capital Outlay/ Construction	\$1,424,941	\$0	\$250,110
<b>TOTAL AMOUNT →</b>					<b>\$250,110</b>

**F. Transfer Between Operating and Capital Projects Budgets – Water and Sewer Operations Fund, Water and Sewer General Capital Projects Fund - Advanced Metering Infrastructure Implementation - \$264,724 (Citywide)**

On July 2, 2024, the City awarded a contract to implement Advanced Metering Infrastructure (AMI) as part of its long-term strategy to modernize water utility services, improve operational efficiency, and enhance customer service. As the project has progressed, and a baseline communication plan has been developed, staff have identified a need for additional outreach and engagement services to ensure clear, transparent communication with all residents throughout the project lifecycle. The enhanced outreach and engagement strategy includes branded outreach materials and messaging, strategic distribution of printed materials, and multilingual project hotline and email support. The success of the AMI implementation depends on effective and transparent communication with the community. The City has requested additional community outreach that was not part of the original contract.

Funding is available in the Distribution and Collections budget in the amount of \$264,724 to support this expense. Funding was allocated to this budget for the operating costs associated with the AMI implementation, and since the project has been delayed due to the integration with the City's billing system, there will be unspent operating funds available to support this outreach.

Staff recommends that the City Commission amend the FY 2025 Operating Budget and FY 2025 – FY 2029 Community Investment Plan (CIP) in the amount of \$264,724 to fund additional public outreach for the Advanced Metering Infrastructure Implementation project.

**Source:**

<b><i>Funds available as of May 27, 2025</i></b>					
<b>ACCOUNT NUMBER</b>	<b>COST CENTER NAME</b>	<b>CHARACTER CODE/ ACCOUNT NAME</b>	<b>AMENDED BUDGET (Character)</b>	<b>AVAILABLE BALANCE (Character)</b>	<b>AMOUNT</b>
10-450-7301-536-30-3907	Distribution and Collection Operating	Services/ Materials/ Data Processing Supplies	\$5,614,232	\$4,554,301	\$264,724
<b>TOTAL AMOUNT →</b>					<b>\$264,724</b>

**Use:**

<b>ACCOUNT NUMBER</b>	<b>COST CENTER NAME</b>	<b>CHARACTER CODE/ ACCOUNT NAME</b>	<b>AMENDED BUDGET (Character)</b>	<b>AVAILABLE BALANCE (Character)</b>	<b>AMOUNT</b>
10-450-9200-581-90-9454	Water & Sewer Operations Fund	Other Uses/ Transfer to Water & Sewer General Capital Projects Fund	N/A	N/A	\$264,724
<b>TOTAL AMOUNT →</b>					<b>\$264,724</b>

**Source:**

<b>ACCOUNT NUMBER</b>	<b>COST CENTER NAME</b>	<b>CHARACTER CODE/ ACCOUNT NAME</b>	<b>AMENDED BUDGET (Character)</b>	<b>AVAILABLE BALANCE (Character)</b>	<b>AMOUNT</b>
10-454-0000-000-381-450	Water & Sewer General Capital Projects Fund	Other Uses/ Transfer from Water & Sewer Operations Fund	N/A	N/A	\$264,724
<b>TOTAL AMOUNT →</b>					<b>\$264,724</b>



Use:

ACCOUNT NUMBER	COST CENTER NAME	CHARACTER CODE/ ACCOUNT NAME	AMENDED BUDGET (Character )	AVAILABLE BALANCE (Character)	AMOUNT
10-454-7999-533-60-6599-P12716	Advanced Metering Infrastructure Implementation	Capital Outlay/ Consultant Engineering	\$0	\$0	\$264,724
TOTAL AMOUNT →					\$264,724

**G. Transfer between Capital Projects – Water & Sewer Capital Projects – LOC Construction Projects Fund, Water and Sewer Master Plan 2017 Fund – Small Water Main Abandonment - SE 25th Avenue – \$738,000 (District 4)**

The Small Water Main Abandonment – SE 25th Avenue project will replace approximately 1,100 linear feet of existing 6-inch diameter cast iron water main using the pipe bursting method. The project also includes a tie-in to the existing 8-inch diameter water main on the west side of SE 25th Avenue to provide water system redundancy. Funding was previously appropriated for the design of the project (\$225,000); now funding is being requested for the construction costs, additional in-house project management fees and construction, engineering and inspection (CEI) fees (\$738,000).

Funding is available in the Water & Sewer Capital Projects – Line of Credit Construction Projects Fund balance to support this project.

Staff recommends the City Commission amend the FY 2025 – FY 2029 Community Investment Plan (CIP) in the amount of \$738,000 to fund the construction costs, additional in-house project management fees and construction, engineering and inspection (CEI) fees for the Small Water Main Abandonment – SE 25th Avenue project. There is a corresponding CAM# 25-0672.

Source:

<i>Funds available as of June 5, 2025</i>					
ACCOUNT NUMBER	COST CENTER NAME	CHARACTER CODE/ ACCOUNT NAME	AMENDED BUDGET (Character)	AVAILABLE BALANCE (Character)	AMOUNT
10-493-7999-536-60-6599-23WSCIP	Water & Sewer Capital Projects - LOC Construction Projects	Capital Outlay/ Construction	N/A	N/A	\$738,000
TOTAL AMOUNT →					\$738,000



**Use:**

ACCOUNT NUMBER	COST CENTER NAME	CHARACTER CODE/ ACCOUNT NAME	AMENDED BUDGET (Character)	AVAILABLE BALANCE (Character)	AMOUNT
10-493-9200-581-90-9495	Water & Sewer Capital Projects - LOC Construction Projects	Other Uses/ Transfer to Water & Sewer Regional Master Plan 2017	\$0	\$0	\$738,000
TOTAL AMOUNT →					\$738,000

**Source:**

ACCOUNT NUMBER	COST CENTER NAME	CHARACTER CODE/ ACCOUNT NAME	AMENDED BUDGET (Character)	AVAILABLE BALANCE (Character)	AMOUNT
10-495-0000-000-381-493	Water & Sewer Master Plan 2017	Other Sources/ Transfer from Water & Sewer Line of Credit	\$0	\$0	\$738,000
TOTAL AMOUNT →					\$738,000

**Use:**

ACCOUNT NUMBER	COST CENTER NAME	CHARACTER CODE/ ACCOUNT NAME	AMENDED BUDGET (Character)	AVAILABLE BALANCE (Character)	AMOUNT
10-495-7999-536-60-6599-P12805	Small Water Main Abandonment – SE 25th Avenue	Capital Outlay/ Construction	\$0	\$0	\$738,000
TOTAL AMOUNT →					\$738,000

## Fire Rescue

### **H. Appropriation of Grant Funds – Grant Fund – Drone Replacement Program – \$124,598 (Citywide)**

Per Florida Statute 934.50, governmental entities are now required to utilize drones that meet the requirements outlined in Rule 60GG-2.0075, Florida Administrative Code. This change requires governmental agencies to cease the use of any drone that is not in compliance with the rule. The Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE) appropriated funds to replace non-compliant drones through the Drone Replacement Grant Program, which previously only provided funding for Police Departments. The City Commission approved Fort Lauderdale Police Department's participation in this grant on Commission Agenda Memo #24-0997. This funding is now open to include Police and Fire Rescue Departments. Fire Rescue anticipates reimbursement from this grant program in the amount of \$124,598 for five (5) non-compliant drones and associated accessories.

Staff recommends the City Commission amend the FY 2025 Operating Budget in the amount of \$124,598 for the Drone Replacement Program.

**Source:**

<i>Funds available as of May 30, 2025</i>					
ACCOUNT NUMBER	COST CENTER NAME	CHARACTER CODE/ ACCOUNT NAME	AMENDED BUDGET (Character)	AMOUNT RECEIVED (Character)	AMOUNT
10-129-9300-521-334-200-25GFDLEDRP	Drone Replacement Financial Assistance Program	Intergovt Revenue / Florida Department of Law Enforcement	\$76,927	\$72,269	\$124,598
<b>TOTAL AMOUNT →</b>					<b>\$124,598</b>

**Use:**

ACCOUNT NUMBER	COST CENTER NAME	CHARACTER CODE/ ACCOUNT NAME	AMENDED BUDGET (Character)	AVAILABLE BALANCE (Character)	AMOUNT
10-129-9300-521-60-6499-25GFDLEDRP	Drone Replacement Financial Assistance Program	Capital Outlay/ Other Equipment	\$0	\$0	\$124,598
<b>TOTAL AMOUNT →</b>					<b>\$124,598</b>

**I. Appropriation of Grant and Grant Match Funds – Grant Fund, General Fund – Emergency Operations Center Safe Room and Generator Grant – \$1,481,215.10 (District 1)**

The State of Florida Division of Emergency Management has provided financial assistance to the City of Fort Lauderdale in the amount of \$1,114,396.85 through the Florida Division of Emergency Management Hazard Mitigation Grant Program. The sponsoring and coordinating agency is the Federal Emergency Management Agency. The award requires a 25% grant match from the City in the amount of \$366,818.25, which is recommended to be allocated from the General Fund balance.

Funds will be used to construct a new hurricane safe room on the same parcel as the City's Emergency Operations Center (EOC), located at 2200 Executive Airport Way, Fort Lauderdale, Florida. The scope is for Phase I only, which includes but is not limited to surveying, engineering, design, plans preparation, permitting and bidding for the proposed project, for Phase II approval. The proposed design for Phase II will include a stand-alone hurricane safe room that will provide near-absolute protection for personnel activated to work during incidents.

Staff recommends that the City Commission amend the FY 2025 Operating Budget in the amount of \$1,467,273 for the Emergency Operations Center – Safe Room and Generator Grant. This is contingent on the approval of grant acceptance (CAM# 25-0666).

**Source:**

<b>Funds available as of June 4, 2025</b>					
<b>ACCOUNT NUMBER</b>	<b>COST CENTER NAME</b>	<b>CHARACTER CODE/ ACCOUNT NAME</b>	<b>AMENDED BUDGET (Character)</b>	<b>AVAILABLE BALANCE (Character)</b>	<b>AMOUNT</b>
10-129-9300-529-331-504-P12996R	Emergency Operations Center - Safe Room and Generator Grant	Intergovt. Revenue Pass thru FDEM	\$0	\$0	\$1,114,396.85
<b>TOTAL AMOUNT →</b>					<b>\$1,114,396.85</b>

**Use:**

<b>ACCOUNT NUMBER</b>	<b>COST CENTER NAME</b>	<b>CHARACTER CODE/ ACCOUNT NAME</b>	<b>AMENDED BUDGET (Character)</b>	<b>AVAILABLE BALANCE (Character)</b>	<b>AMOUNT</b>
10-129-9300-529-60-6599-P12996	Emergency Operations Center - Safe Room and Generator Grant	Capital Outlay / Construction	\$0	\$0	\$1,114,396.85
<b>TOTAL AMOUNT →</b>					<b>\$1,114,396.85</b>

**Source: (Cash Match)**

ACCOUNT NUMBER	COST CENTER NAME	CHARACTER CODE/ ACCOUNT NAME	AMENDED BUDGET (Character)	AVAILABLE BALANCE (Character)	AMOUNT
10-001-0000-000-399-999	General Fund	Balance & Reserves/ Appropriated Fund Balance	\$0	\$0	\$366,818.25
<b>TOTAL AMOUNT →</b>					<b>\$366,818.25</b>

**Source:(Cash Match in Grant Fund)**

ACCOUNT NUMBER	COST CENTER NAME	CHARACTER CODE/ ACCOUNT NAME	AMENDED BUDGET (Character)	AVAILABLE BALANCE (Character)	AMOUNT
10-129-9300-521-381-001-P12996AR	Emergency Operations Center - Safe Room and Generator Grant - Grant Match	Other Uses/ Transfer from General Fund	\$0	\$0	\$366,818.25
<b>TOTAL AMOUNT →</b>					<b>\$366,818.25</b>

**Use:**

ACCOUNT NUMBER	COST CENTER NAME	CHARACTER CODE/ ACCOUNT NAME	AMENDED BUDGET (Character)	AVAILABLE BALANCE (Character)	AMOUNT
10-129-9300-521-60-6599-P12996A	Emergency Operations Center - Safe Room and Generator Grant - Grant Match	Capital Outlay/ Construction	\$0	\$0	\$366,818.25
<b>TOTAL AMOUNT →</b>					<b>\$366,818.25</b>

**Transportation and Mobility****J. Transfer Between Capital Projects – General Capital Projects Fund - NE 15th Avenue at NE 13<sup>th</sup> Street Turn Lane Project - \$12,000 (District 2)**

The Traffic Flow Improvements capital project is dedicated to supporting traffic calming, congestion relief, and mobility enhancement projects throughout the City. These initiatives play a vital role in improving roadway efficiency and safety for all users. The Las Olas Dual Left Turn Lane improvement, the most recent project funded through this program, has been successfully completed, resulting in a remaining balance available for reallocation.

Staff recommends transferring \$12,000 from the available balance to support the NE 15th Avenue at NE 13th Street Turn Lane project. This intersection improvement is designed to enhance traffic flow and reduce delays in a key area of the City.

The most recent engineering estimate for the project has exceeded the initial budget allocation, creating a funding gap that must be addressed to proceed with implementation. The proposed budgetary transfer will allow the project to move forward without delay, ensuring that construction can begin in accordance with the current schedule and cost projections. This funding adjustment aligns with the City's broader commitment to advancing strategic transportation infrastructure and delivering measurable improvements in traffic operations and roadway safety.

Staff recommends the City Commission amend the FY 2025 – FY 2029 Community Investment Plan in the amount of \$12,000 for the NE 15th Avenue Improvements Project at NE 13<sup>th</sup> Street Turn Lane.

**Source:**

<b><i>Funds available as of May 27,2025</i></b>					
<b>ACCOUNT NUMBER</b>	<b>COST CENTER NAME</b>	<b>CHARACTER CODE/ ACCOUNT NAME</b>	<b>AMENDED BUDGET (Character)</b>	<b>AVAILABLE BALANCE (Character)</b>	<b>AMOUNT</b>
10-331-9100-541-60-6599-P12600	Traffic Flow Improvements	Capital Outlay/ Construction	\$238,408	\$58,835	\$12,000
<b>TOTAL AMOUNT →</b>					<b>\$12,000</b>

**Use:**

<b>ACCOUNT NUMBER</b>	<b>COST CENTER NAME</b>	<b>CHARACTER CODE/ ACCOUNT NAME</b>	<b>AMENDED BUDGET (Character)</b>	<b>AVAILABLE BALANCE (Character)</b>	<b>AMOUNT</b>
10-331-9100-541-60-6599-P12905	NE 15th Avenue at NE 13th Street Turn Lane	Capital Outlay/ Construction	\$107,425	\$0	\$12,000
<b>TOTAL AMOUNT →</b>					<b>\$12,000</b>

**City Manager's Office**

**K. Appropriation of Grant Funds – Grant Fund – National League of Cities Advancing Economic Mobility Grant - \$20,000 (Citywide)**

The National League of Cities (NLC) launched the third Advancing Economic Mobility Rapid Grant program cohort. NLC offered grants of up to \$20,000 to municipalities that are committed to boosting the economic mobility of residents. The program is supported with funding from the Gates Foundation and will run from June 2, 2025, through December 31, 2025.

The funding is available to members of NLC's Economic Mobility Peer Network (EMPN), which all municipalities can join at no cost. The City is a member of the network. Further, the EMPN is the premiere way for municipal leaders, staff and partners to engage with like-minded peers to address pressing economic mobility issues through monthly learning opportunities and direct communication. The City will be expected to participate in an Economic Mobility Convening in October 2025 with teams from all the selected municipalities. At the convening, the team will showcase their work, including results achieved to date and efforts to sustain or grow the work beyond the grant period. The funds received will be utilized to support costs associated with testing ideas, planning projects and supporting existing strategies that respond to community needs. More specifically, activities will include expansion of the StartUp FTL program and microgrants to small businesses.

Staff recommends the City Commission amend the Operating Budget in the amount of \$20,000 for the acceptance of the National League of Cities Advancing Economic Mobility grant. Grant acceptance was presented and approved at the June 17, 2025 City Commission meeting (CAM #25-0643).

**Source:**

<b><i>Funds available as of June 2, 2025</i></b>					
<b>ACCOUNT NUMBER</b>	<b>COST CENTER NAME</b>	<b>CHARACTER CODE/ ACCOUNT NAME</b>	<b>AMENDED BUDGET (Character)</b>	<b>AVAILABLE BALANCE (Character)</b>	<b>AMOUNT</b>
10-129-9300-552-337-900-25GGFAEM	NLC Advancing Economic Mobility Grant	Local Government Unit Grant - Other	\$0	\$0	\$20,000
<b>TOTAL AMOUNT →</b>					<b>\$20,000</b>

**Use:**

<b>ACCOUNT NUMBER</b>	<b>COST CENTER NAME</b>	<b>CHARACTER CODE/ ACCOUNT NAME</b>	<b>AMENDED BUDGET (Character)</b>	<b>AVAILABLE BALANCE (Character)</b>	<b>AMOUNT</b>
10-129-9300-552-40-4299-25GGFAEM	NLC Advancing Economic Mobility Grant	Other Operating Expenses/ Other Contributions	\$0	\$0	\$20,000
<b>TOTAL AMOUNT →</b>					<b>\$20,000</b>

**Office of Management and Budget**

**L. Transfer between Capital Projects, Appropriation of Fund Balance – Park Impact Fee Fund – Transferring Park Impact Fees into District Specific Park Impact Fee Projects - \$8,137,622 (Citywide)**

Based upon a discussion at the December 3, 2024, City Commission Conference meeting, there is a desire by the Mayor and City Commission to modify the allowable use of Park Impact Fees received prior to October 1, 2024, to allow for more flexibility to support regional parks and special use facilities.

To facilitate this request, CAM# 25-0655, also on this agenda, details the below recommended uses of Park Impact fees:

- Park impact fees received prior to October 1, 2024, (herein “Pre-2024 Fees”) shall be expended or encumbered by the city for signature parks projects as well as city-wide or special use facilities parks projects. Pre-2024 Fees shall be allocated in even amounts to each commission district.
- Park impact fees collected on or after October 1, 2024, shall be expended or encumbered by the City for 50% of the funds for citywide and special use facilities parks projects, and the other 50% of the funds for parks projects in the City Commission District in which the park impact fee was generated.

To accommodate the adjustment, four (4) district-specific accounts are recommended to be created under this budget amendment to maintain the funding allocated to each district. The total includes the amount previously allocated to the Parks Bond Signature Parks project (\$6,482,635). In addition, after a review of the FY 2023 Annual Comprehensive Financial Report, there is additional fund balance in the amount of \$1,654,987 above the original allocation that is recommended to be appropriated to the district accounts.

Staff recommends the City Commission amend the FY 2025 – FY 2029 Community Investment Plan in the amount of \$8,137,622 to allocate the Park Impact fees to the designated district accounts.

**Source:**

<b><i>Funds available as of June 2, 2025</i></b>					
<b>ACCOUNT NUMBER</b>	<b>COST CENTER NAME</b>	<b>CHARACTER CODE/ ACCOUNT NAME</b>	<b>AMENDED BUDGET (Character)</b>	<b>AVAILABLE BALANCE (Character)</b>	<b>AMOUNT</b>
10-350-6999-572-60-6599-P12699	Parks Bond Signature Parks	Capital Outlay/ Construction	\$6,482,635.00	\$6,482,635.00	\$6,482,635.00



10-350-0000-000-399-999	Park Impact Fee Fund	Balances & Reserves/ Appropriated Fund Balance	N/A	N/A	\$1,654,987.00
<b>TOTAL AMOUNT →</b>					<b>\$8,137,622.00</b>

**Use:**

ACCOUNT NUMBER	COST CENTER NAME	CHARACTER CODE/ ACCOUNT NAME	AMENDED BUDGET (Character)	AVAILABLE BALANCE (Character)	AMOUNT
10-350-6999-572-60-6599-P12964	District 1 – Regional Park Account	Capital Outlay/ Construction	N/A	N/A	\$2,034,405.50
10-350-6999-572-60-6599-P12965	District 2 – Regional Park Account	Capital Outlay/ Construction	N/A	N/A	\$2,034,405.50
10-350-6999-572-60-6599-P12966	District 3 – Regional Park Account	Capital Outlay/ Construction	N/A	N/A	\$2,034,405.50
10-350-6999-572-60-6599-P12967	District 4 – Regional Park Account	Capital Outlay/ Construction	N/A	N/A	\$2,034,405.50
<b>TOTAL AMOUNT →</b>					<b>\$8,137,622.00</b>

**Strategic Connections**

This item supports the *Press Play Fort Lauderdale 2029* Strategic Plan, specifically advancing:

- Guiding Principle: Fiscal Responsibility

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

**Related CAMs**

25-0672, 25-0655, 25-0666, 25-0588

**Attachment**

Exhibit 1 – Resolution

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