

TO: Honorable Mayor and Members

Fort Lauderdale City Commission

FROM: Lee Feldman, City Manager

DATE: March 15, 2016

TITLE: Resolution Authorizing Grant Application to the Florida Inland Navigation

District FY2016 Waterways Assistance Program - \$42,000

Recommendation

It is recommended that the City Commission approve a resolution authorizing the City Manager to submit a grant application to the Florida Inland Navigation District (FIND) for the 2016 Waterways Assistance Program.

Background

This grant program provides funding assistance to local governments to perform waterway improvement projects. The program will also fund 50% of projects that target waterway boating safety programs and equipment. The grant period is October 1, 2016 through September 30, 2019.

The Fort Lauderdale Police Department will request a remote operated vehicle to enhance the capabilities and efficiency of the Police Dive Team. This device is capable of assisting law enforcement in a vast number of applications, including search and rescue/recovery, forensic and evidence gathering, and border security. The device can also be deployed to assist police divers in accomplishing their missions more safely, quickly and cost-effectively. As result of the program's matching component, the grant will fund \$21,000 and the City will match \$21,000. The Department is requesting that funds for the required match be budgeted in General Funds in FY2016 (FD001-9129).

As a requirement of the grant application process, FIND requires that all applicants obtain approval from its governing board or commission via the submission of an official resolution.

Resource Impact

The total project cost is \$42,000. There is an anticipated positive fiscal impact to the City in the amount of \$21,000. Full implementation of the grant will require the City to budget \$21,000 in the General Fund in FY2017 (FD001-9129).

Strategic Connection

This item is a Commission Annual Action Plan priority, included within the Policy Agenda, advancing the Crime Reduction Strategy and Action Plan.

This time 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.

Attachments

Exhibit 1 – Chapter 66B-2 F.A.C. Waterways Assistance Program

Exhibit 2 – Resolution – FY2016 FIND Waterways Assistance Program

Exhibit 3 - City Resolution - FY2016 FIND \$21,000.00 Marine ROV

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