



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

#24-1086

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

FROM: Susan Grant, Acting City Manager

DATE: December 17, 2024

TITLE: Resolution Approving a Public Transportation Grant Agreement with the Florida Department of Transportation for the John Fuhrer Downtown Helistop Painting and Fireproof Coating Project - \$134,023 - **(Commission District 4)**

Recommendation

Staff recommends the City Commission adopt a resolution approving a Public Transportation Grant Agreement (PTGA) and accepting the anticipated grant funding of up to \$134,023 for the John Fuhrer Downtown Helistop Painting and Fireproof Coating Project from the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) and authorize the City Manager to execute a Public Transportation Grant Agreement.

Background

The John Fuhrer Downtown Helistop's (DT1) support structures and spaceframe were repainted in 2017. Since then, the paint on the spaceframe has deteriorated and new painting is needed as part of the regular maintenance. The fireproof coating on the horizontal support structures have also deteriorated. These supports will be properly cleaned, recoated with fireproofing material and painted to maintain their structural integrity.

The scope of the project includes, but is not limited to, mobilization, maintenance of traffic, clean and apply the fireproofing material on the horizontal and spaceframe supports, and repaint the spaceframe.

On August 22, 2024, City Commission approved the contract award of the project to Champion Painting Specialty Services Corp. Afterwards, Fort Lauderdale Executive Airport staff became aware of the available grant funding for the project and submitted an application to FDOT. Based on the initial estimated construction cost of \$167,529, FDOT is providing a PTGA in the amount of \$134,023 for up to 80% of the projected construction costs, with the Airport providing 20% of the construction cost in the amount of \$33,506.

At its meeting on December 5, 2024, the Aviation Advisory Board supported staff's recommendation to accept this grant from FDOT.

Resource Impact

This action will result in a positive impact to the City in the amount of \$134,023 which will be appropriated to the accounts below contingent upon the approval of the January 7, 2025 Consolidated Budget Amendment CAM 24-1167.

Source:

Funds available as of November 19, 2024					
ACCOUNT NUMBER	PROJECT NAME (Program)	ACCOUNT/ACTIVITY NAME	AMENDED BUDGET (Character)	AVAILABLE BALANCE (Character)	AMOUNT
10-469-0000-000-334-410-P12970A	2025 Helistop Painting and Fireproof Coating	Intergovt Revenue/ Florida Department of Transportation	N/A	N/A	\$134,023
APPROPRIATION TOTAL ►					\$134,023

Use:

ACCOUNT NUMBER	PROJECT NAME (Program)	CHARACTER/ ACCOUNT NAME	AMENDED BUDGET (Character)	AVAILABLE BALANCE (Character)	AMOUNT
10-469-9300-542-60-6599-P12970A	2025 Helistop Painting and Fireproof Coating	Capital Outlay/ Construction	\$0	\$0	\$134,023
APPROPRIATION TOTAL ►					\$134,023

Source (Cash Match):

Funds available as of November 19, 2024					
ACCOUNT NUMBER	PROJECT NAME (Program)	ACCOUNT/ACTIVITY NAME	AMENDED BUDGET (Character)	AVAILABLE BALANCE (Character)	AMOUNT
10-468-0000-000-399-999	Airport Fund/Operations Fund	Balances and Reserves/ Appropriated Fund Balance	N/A	N/A	\$33,506
APPROPRIATION TOTAL ►					\$33,506

Use:

ACCOUNT NUMBER	PROJECT NAME (Program)	CHARACTER/ ACCOUNT NAME	AMENDED BUDGET (Character)	AVAILABLE BALANCE (Character)	AMOUNT
10-469-9100-542-60-6599-P12970	2025 Helistop Painting and Fireproof Coating	Capital Outlay/ Construction	\$0	\$0	\$33,506
APPROPRIATION TOTAL ►					\$33,506

Strategic Connections

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

- The Infrastructure and Resilience Focus Area
- Goal 4: Facilitate an efficient, multimodal transportation network
- The Business Growth and Support Focus Area
- Goal 6: Build a diverse and attractive economy

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

This item supports the Advance Fort Lauderdale 2040 Comprehensive Plan specifically advancing:

- The Business Development Focus Area
- The Economic Development Area
- Goal 3: Recognize and include in economic development planning the role of Port Everglades and the Fort Lauderdale-Hollywood International Airport and Fort Lauderdale Executive Airports.

Attachments

Exhibit 1 – Project Sketch

Exhibit 2 – PTGA No. 455333-1-94-01

Exhibit 3 – Resolution

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