## **RESOLUTION NO. 24-**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA, APPROVING A GRANT AGREEMENT WITH THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$401,630.00, FOR THE RECREATIONAL TRAILS PROGRAM GRANT AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE A GRANT AGREEMENT WITH THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AND ANY DOCUMENTS INCIDENTAL TO ACCEPTING SUCH GRANT FUNDS AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) administers the Recreational Trails Program (RTP) grant on behalf of the United States Department of Transportation (USDOT), Federal Highway Administration; and

WHEREAS, the RTP provides financial assistance for the development of recreational trails, trailheads and trailside facilities for motorized and non-motorized recreational trails; and

WHEREAS, the RTP grant award will provide funding for the development of Segment 1D of the LauderTrail Master plan, which connects Bayview Elementary School and George English Park via Sunrise Boulevard to Holiday Park; and

WHEREAS, the estimated cost to design and construct the LauderTrail Segment 1D project is \$803,260.00; and

WHEREAS, the City of Fort Lauderdale ("City") is required to enter into an FDEP Grant Agreement ("Grant Agreement") with the FDEP to accept and receive the grant funds; and

WHEREAS, the grant funds total \$401,630.00 and the proposed Grant Agreement requires a fifty percent (50%) local match of \$401,630.00 for a sum total of \$803,260.00; and

WHEREAS, on January 5, 2021, the City Commission of the City of Fort Lauderdale adopted Resolution 21-04, which amended the FY 2021 – FY 2025 Community Investment Plan and allocated \$5,000,000 from the Parks and Recreation General Obligation Bond Series 2020A for the LauderTrail project; and

WHEREAS, the grant funds will be matched with a fifty percent (50%) local match of \$401,630.00 from the Parks and Recreation General Obligation Bond Series 2020A; and

WHEREAS, City staff recommends the City Commission adopt this resolution approving a grant agreement with FDEP for the RTP grant and authorizing the City Manager to execute any required documents with the acceptance of such grant funds; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission finds that approving the Grant Agreement, authorizing the execution of the Grant Agreement, and acceptance of the grant funds is in the best interest of the City of Fort Lauderdale;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA:

<u>SECTION 1</u>. That the Grant Agreement with the Florida Department of Environmental Protection in the amount of \$401,630.00 for the Recreational Trails Program Grant is hereby approved.

<u>SECTION 2.</u> That the City Manager is hereby authorized to execute the Grant Agreement, on behalf of the City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, with the Florida Department of Environmental Protection, in the amount of \$401,630.00 for the Recreational Trails Program Grant and any documents incidental to accepting such grant funds.

<u>SECTION 2</u>. The Office of the City Attorney shall review and approve as to form all documents prior to their execution by the proper City officials.

<u>SECTION 3</u>. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect upon final passage and adoption.

ADOPTED this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2024.

Mayor DEAN J. TRANTALIS ATTEST:

City Clerk DAVID R. SOLOMAN

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND CORRECTNESS:

City Attorney THOMAS J. ANSBRO \_

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