

RESOLUTION NO. 13-219

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER OR HIS DESIGNEE TO APPLY FOR A GRANT FROM THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$368,146 WITH A REQUIRED MATCH OF EQUAL AMOUNT, \$368,146 SUPPLIED FROM A PRIVATE SOURCE, ALL ABOARD FLORIDA – OPERATIONS LLC FOR THE EXTENSION OF NW 2ND AVENUE FROM NW 2ND STREET TO NW 4TH STREET.

WHEREAS, that the City is eligible to apply for a construction grant from the U.S. Department of Commerce, Economic Development Administration (“EDA”) for the cost of planning, engineering, design and construction of the bypass road on NW 2nd Avenue from NW 2nd Street to NW 4th Street, including curbing and sidewalk, to mitigate the closing of NW 2nd Street where it intersects with the Florida East Coast (“FEC”) Railroad right-of-way; and

WHEREAS, that the planned road extension is adjacent to the FEC rail corridor and in close proximity to the future All Aboard Florida passenger station, which platform’s length will require the crossing at NW2nd Street to be closed; and

WHEREAS, in order to maintain traffic flow in the area, City proposes the construction of a bypass, allowing east-west traffic to cross the tracks at NW 4th Street or Broward Boulevard which is important for nearby residents and businesses; and

WHEREAS, the All Aboard Florida intercity passenger rail station will breathe significant new life into the downtown area near the station, creating growth opportunities for existing businesses while attracting new ones; and

WHEREAS, City wishes to submit a construction grant application to the U.S. Department of Commerce, Economic Development Administration (“EDA”) in the amount of \$368,146 to extend NW 2nd Avenue from NW 2nd Street to NW 4th Street; and

WHEREAS, the EDA requires a cost cash match in the amount of \$368,146;

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WHEREAS, All Aboard Florida – Operations LLC has agreed to provide the cash match in the amount of \$368,146 in addition to all costs in excess of the EDA funds for the planning, design and completion of the project; and

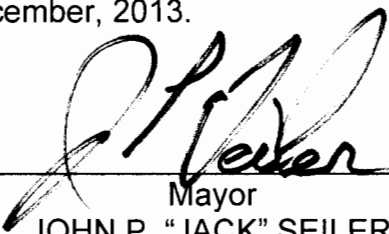
WHEREAS, upon acceptance of the grant by the City Commission, the City will enter into an agreement with All Aboard Florida-Operations LLC to memorialize the financial commitment from this private source;

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

SECTION 1. That the City Manager or his designee is hereby authorized to apply for a construction grant from the U.S. Department of Commerce, Economic Development Administration (“EDA”) for the cost of planning, engineering, design and construction of the bypass road on NW 2nd Avenue from NW 2nd Street to NW 4th Street, including curbing and sidewalk, to mitigate the closing of NW 2nd Street where it intersects with the Florida East Coast (“FEC”) Railroad right-of-way.


SECTION 2. That this Resolution shall be in full force and effect upon final passage.

ADOPTED this the 3rd day of December, 2013.



Mayor
JOHN P. “JACK” SEILER

ATTEST:



City Clerk
JONDA K. JOSEPH