



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

#18-0272

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

FROM: Lee R. Feldman, ICMA-CM, City Manager

DATE: April 3, 2018

TITLE: Resolution to Approve a (1) Maintenance Memorandum of Agreement with the Florida Department of Transportation for Installation and Maintenance of Landscape and Hardscape Improvements Installed within the Right-of-Way on US 1 between NE 2nd Street and NE 3rd Street and (2) Assumption Agreement with 299 N Federal Master, LLC

Recommendation

It is recommended that the City Commission adopt a resolution authorizing execution of (1) a Maintenance Memorandum of Agreement (Exhibit 1) with the Florida Department of Transportation for the installation and maintenance of landscape and hardscape improvements; and (2) an Assumption Agreement, in substantially the form attached, with 299 N Federal Master, LLC (Exhibit 2).

Background

The City of Fort Lauderdale and 299 N Federal Master, LLC, will enter into a Maintenance Memorandum of Agreement (MMA) with the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT), relative to the installation and maintenance of certain landscape and hardscape improvements in the right-of-way on US1 between NE 2nd and NE 3rd Streets for the Tribute and Element Hotel development, located at 299 N. Federal Highway. The installation and maintenance of such improvements are subject to certain terms and conditions defined in Exhibit 1. The Assumption Agreement between the City and 299 N Federal Master, LLC passes the maintenance responsibility and costs associated with the MMA to 299 N Federal Master, LLC according to the site plan improvements which are consistent with the intent of the Downtown Master Plan.

The Tribute and Element Hotel development project was initially approved under Development Review Committee (DRC) Case R14062 on May 1, 2015, as the Aloft/Element Hotel. Subsequent to the approval, the property owner sold the subject site. The new owner made modifications to the approved site plan and a new DRC application was submitted and approved on September 8, 2015 under DRC (Case R15047) known as the Tribute/Element Hotel.

The project design remains very similar to the original approved project which is a 24 story, 323-room hotel that includes 12,330 square feet of commercial retail with 200 parking spaces.

Resource Impact

There is no fiscal impact associated with this action.

Strategic Connections

This item is a *Press Play Fort Lauderdale Strategic Plan*, included within the Infrastructure Cylinder of Excellence, specifically advancing:

- Goal 1: Be a pedestrian friendly, multi-modal City.
- Objective 2: Improve transportation land use and planning to create a walkable and bikeable community.

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

Attachments

Exhibit 1 - Maintenance Memorandum of Agreement

Exhibit 2 - Assumption Agreement

Exhibit 3 - Resolution

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