## **RESOLUTION NO. 21-243**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER OR HIS DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE A GRANT AGREEMENT WITH THE SEA TURTLE CONSERVANCY (STC) IN THE AMOUNT OF \$16,670 TO FUND THE INSTALLATION OF EXTERNAL LIGHT SHIELDS ALONG STATE ROAD A1A FROM ALHAMBRA STREET NORTH TO SUNRISE BOULEVARD; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; REPEALING ANY AND ALL CONFLICTING RESOLUTIONS; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Florida Fish and Wildlife Commission (FWC) has requested the City of Fort Lauderdale install external light shields to cover point source of light for sea turtles, especially during the sea turtle nesting period; and

WHEREAS, the existing pedestrian light poles on the east side of State Road (SR) A1A from the South Beach Park entrance north to Sunrise Boulevard were approved by FWC and installed in 2011 without an external cutoff shield and have amber lights that are illuminated 12 months of the year, but are currently out of FWC compliance and may impact sea turtle habitats; and

WHEREAS, the pedestrian light poles north of Sunrise Boulevard were installed in 2015, have an external cutoff shield and amber lights that are illuminated 12 months of the year and complies with the current FWC requirement for light fixtures that can impact sea turtle nesting habitats; and

WHEREAS, the STC grant will fund 100% of the cost to furnish and install external light shields on existing pedestrian light poles from Alhambra Street north to Sunrise Boulevard and bring existing pedestrian light fixtures into compliance with current FWC lighting design standards for light fixtures that can impact sea turtle nesting habitats; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission wish to authorize the City Manager or his designee to execute a grant agreement with the Sea Turtle Conservancy in the amount of \$16,670 to fund the installation of external light shields on existing pedestrian light poles from Alhambra Street north to Sunrise Boulevard.

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

<u>SECTION 1</u>. That the City Manager or his designee is hereby authorized to execute a grant agreement with the Sea Turtle Conservancy in the amount of \$16,670 to fund the installation of external light shields on existing pedestrian light poles from Alhambra Street north to Sunrise Boulevard and bring existing pedestrian light fixtures into compliance with current FWC lighting design standards for light fixtures that can impact sea turtle nesting habitats.

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

<u>SECTION 3</u>. That if any clause, section or other provisions within this Resolution shall be held invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder of this Resolution shall not be affected thereby but shall remain in full force and effect.

<u>SECTION 4</u>. That all Resolutions or parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

<u>SECTION 5</u>. That this Resolution shall be in full force and effect immediately upon its final passage.

ADOPTED this 2nd day of November, 2021.

Mayor

DEAN J. TRANTALIS

ATTEST:

City Clerk JEFFREY A. MODARELLI