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TO: Honorable Mayor & Members of the

Fort Lauderdale City Commission

FROM: Chris Lagerbloom, ICMA-CM, City Manager

DATE: July 5, 2022

TITLE: Motion Approving and Authorizing the Execution of a Revocable License

with Broward Partnership for the Homeless, Inc. for Temporary Right-of-Way Closures on NW 6th Avenue and NW 9th Street in Association with the Seven on Seventh Development Located at 920 NW 7th Avenue –

(Commission District 2)

Recommendation

Staff recommends the City Commission consider a motion approving and authorizing the execution of a Revocable License with Broward Partnership for the Homeless, Inc. for the temporary Right-of-Way closures on NW 6th Avenue and NW 9th Street contiguous to the Seven on Seventh development.

Background

The subject project consists of 72 affordable housing units and 1,848 square feet of ground floor retail with structured parking for 124 parking spaces. The site plan received City approval in March 2021 (DRC Case #R18078) for a 9-story (90-foot high) building, with a total gross floor area of 143,130 square feet. The duration of the temporary right-of-way closure for the three construction phases is fourteen (14) months. The site is currently under construction, and the developer is requesting this Revocable License in preparation for the next phases of construction, subject to the approval of this Revocable License and Maintenance of Traffic (MOT) permit. The Location Map is attached as Exhibit 1.

The developer has provided adjacent property owners directly abutting the temporary Phase 3 right-of-way closure area with an information package, and consent form to indicate if there are any objections to the closure. This proof of Property Owner Outreach is attached as Exhibit 2. Responses have been received from both property owners, with indications that there are no objections to the proposed closure.

This Revocable License would close the existing sidewalks adjacent to the development site and detour pedestrian traffic to the existing sidewalks on the east side of NW 7th Avenue and south side of West Sunrise Boulevard. The proposed closures are being requested as a safety measure for pedestrians and motorists due to the limitations of the site and proximity of construction to the right-of-way. A summary is provided in the table

below and depicted in the "License Area", attached as Exhibit 3 and the Detour Plan, attached as Exhibit 4. A copy of the "Revocable License" is attached as Exhibit 5.

LICENSE AREA CLOSURES											
License Area	Location	Duration	Existing Right-of Way Width	Existing Sidewalk Width	Description						
1	NW 6 th Ave	4 Months	50'	5', west side of road None, east side of road	Approximately 14.5' width, from property line into R/W, along entire site frontage – continuous closure of adjacent sidewalk and swale area, pedestrian detour required (see Detour Plan), to facilitate safety, security and construction of improvements on the property and within City Right-of-Way						
2	NW 9 th St	9 Months	45' & Varies	5', north side of road None, south side of road	Approximately 13' width plus corner chord, from property line into R/W, along entire site frontage – continuous closure of adjacent sidewalk and swale area, pedestrian detour required (see Detour Plan), to facilitate safety, security and construction of the improvements on the property and within City Right-of-Way						
3	NW 6 th Ave	3 Weeks	50'	5', west side of road None, east side of road	50' width along site frontage – continuous closure of adjacent sidewalk and both travel lanes and swale areas, pedestrian and vehicular detours required (see Detour Plan), to facilitate construction of public amenities within City R/W						

License Area	Phase	Duration of Project (Months)													
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
1	1														
2	2														
3	3														

The proposed MOT plan is not anticipated to present any conflicts with construction projects in this area. The Revocable License authorizes the City Manager with the ability to extend the term of the Phases 1 & 2 closures up to four (4) 30-day periods each, and Phase 3 closure up to two (2) 30-day periods, if necessary.

Resource Impact

There is no fiscal impact to the City associated with this action.

Strategic Connections

This item is a 2022 Commission Priority, advancing the Smart Growth initiative.

This item supports the *Press Play Fort Lauderdale 2024* Strategic Plan, specifically advancing:

- The Infrastructure Focus Area
- Goal 2: Build a multi-modal and pedestrian friendly community
- Objective: Improve roads, sidewalks, and trails to prioritize a safer, more walkable and bikeable community.

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

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

- The Infrastructure Focus Area
- The Transportation & Mobility Element
- Goal 1: Ensure the equitable development of a Complete Network for transportation that prioritizes Safety and emphasizes multimodal mobility and accessibility

Attachments

Exhibit 1 – Location Map

Exhibit 2 – Property Owner Outreach

Exhibit 3 – License Area

Exhibit 4 – Detour Plan

Exhibit 5 – Revocable License

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