#23-0436

**TO**: Honorable Mayor & Members of the

Fort Lauderdale City Commission

**FROM**: Greg Chavarria, City Manager

**DATE**: May 16, 2023

TITLE: Resolution Declaring the City's Notice of Intent to Convey City of Fort

Lauderdale Interest in Right-of-Way located at SE 1 Street to Broward County for the Installation and Maintenance of Improvements in Association with the Broward County Main Library Plaza Restoration and Reserving unto the City a Utility Easement, and Setting a Public Hearing for June 20, 2023, Pursuant to Section 8.02 of the Charter of the City of Fort Lauderdale

- (Commission District 4)

## **Recommendation**

Staff recommends the City Commission approve a resolution declaring a notice of intent to convey City of Fort Lauderdale ("City") interest in right-of-way located at SE 1 Street to Broward County ("County") for the installation and maintenance of improvements in association with the Broward County Main Library plaza restoration ("Project") and reserving unto the City a utility easement, and setting a public hearing for June 20, 2023, pursuant to Section 8.02 of the Charter of the City of Fort Lauderdale.

## **Background**

The County is requesting the City convey interest in a portion of the SE 1 Street right-of-way (Exhibit 1) to install and construct exterior improvements as part of the County Main Library Masterplan within the defined project area (Exhibit 2). Exhibit 2 outlines three (3) phases for construction and installation of improvements. The improvements will include, 1) repair and restoration of concrete bands and pavers to match existing materials, 2) refurbishment of existing illuminated bollards, 3) construction of a new stage area with concrete bands and pavers, 4) extending the pedestrian walkway, 5) installing a tree well system to replace the existing tree grate, and 6) enhancing soft landscape elements. The County will be responsible for all costs related to the improvements and on-going maintenance.

Section 8.02 of the City Charter allows the City to convey real property or interests in real property owned by the City to another public agency for a public purpose. To effectuate the transfer of the property from the City to the County, the Commission must adopt a resolution declaring its intent to convey the property to the County. The resolution must outline the conveyance terms and date for a public hearing not less than thirty (30) days

after the adoption confirming the first resolution authorizing the conveyance of the properties.

# **Resource Impact**

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

# **Strategic Connections**

This item supports a 2022 Top Commission Priority, the Infrastructure and Resilience initiative, specifically advancing:

Sidewalks

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 Neighborhood Enhancement Area
- The Urban Design Element
- Goal 1: Encourage urban design which responds to the climate and character of Fort Lauderdale, is pedestrian friendly, human-scaled and contains the infrastructure and amenities to create a vibrant public realm

#### **Attachments**

Exhibit 1 – Location Map

Exhibit 2 – Project Area

Exhibit 3 – Resolution

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