

#23-0582

TO: Honorable Mayor & Members of the

Fort Lauderdale City Commission

FROM: Greg Chavarria, City Manager

DATE: June 6, 2023

TITLE: **WALK ON** - Resolution Ratifying the Application for and Authorizing the

Acceptance of Grant Funds and Execution of Florida Local Government Cybersecurity Grant Program from Florida Digital Services, State of Florida Department of Management Services – (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and

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Recommendation

Staff recommends that the City Commission approve a resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute the grant agreement entitled "Florida Local Government Cybersecurity Grant Program", to execute or delegate the authority to execute all modifications to agreement and documents required to accept funds between the State of Florida Department of Management Services and the City of Fort Lauderdale, and ratifying the execution of any and all documents necessary or incidental to the grant application

Background

The Department of Management Services, through the Florida Digital Services, has the authority, pursuant to Chapter 2022-156, Laws of Florida, Specific Appropriation 2944A, to award \$30 million in grant funds for fiscal year 2022-23 to local governments for local government cybersecurity technical assistance. The State announced the availability of the funds for its Local Government Cybersecurity Grant Program in February 2023 and provided a deadline of March 31, 2023 for submission of grant applications. City staff submitted a grant application resulting in the following capabilities being offered by Florida Digital Services: Network-based asset discovery (agentless); external-facing asset discovery; Security Operations Platform. In addition to software access for the capabilities offered, the Florida Digital Service will provide the following: incident response assistance when requested; and training, technical assistance, and support for the capabilities granted.

Resource Impact

There will be a positive fiscal impact associated with this action in the amount of \$1,000,000 over three years that the City will not have to spend for these services being provided by Florida Digital Service.

Strategic Connections

This is 2022 Commission Priority, specifically advancing the Community Response and Safety initiative.

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

- The Internal Support Focus Area
- Goal 8: Be a leading government organization that manages all resources wisely and sustainably.
- Objective: Provide a reliable and progressive technology infrastructure.

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

Attachments

Exhibit 1 - Grant Agreement

Exhibit 2 - Resolution

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