CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE
City Commission Agenda Memo **#26-0230**
REGULAR MEETING

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

FROM: Rickelle Williams, City Manager

DATE: March 3, 2026

TITLE: Resolution Approving a Public Transportation Grant Agreement with the Florida Department of Transportation for the Construction of the Runway 27 Bypass Taxiway and Run-Up Area Relocation Project at Fort Lauderdale Executive Airport and to Delegate Authority to the City Manager to Execute the Agreement - $113,362 - **(Commission District 1)**

Recommendation

Staff recommends the City Commission adopt a resolution approving the Public Transportation Grant Agreement (PTGA) to accept grant funding up to $113,362 from the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) for the Runway 27 Bypass Taxiway and Run-Up Area Relocation Project at Fort Lauderdale Executive Airport (FXE) and authorize the City Manager to execute the agreement.

Background

FXE continues to enhance the safety, efficiency, and operational capacity of the airfield in accordance with its approved Airport Layout Plan (ALP), last updated and approved by the Federal Aviation Administration in 2019. A priority improvement identified in the plan is the Runway 27 Bypass Taxiway and Run-Up Area Relocation Project.

The project is designed to address aircraft congestion and ground movement delays at the east end of Runway 27. Aircraft staging for departure experience delays due to limited taxiway access and insufficient run-up space. The run-up area is a designated area where aircraft perform safety and engine checks before takeoff.

The proposed improvements include constructing two (2) new bypass taxiways and realigning existing bypass taxiways between Runway 27 and Taxiway Alpha, one of the primary taxiways. As a bid alternate, the project also expands and relocates the aircraft run-up area to provide additional space for multiple aircraft to safely stage and prepare for departure.

The Aviation Advisory Board is slated to consider acceptance of this PTGA at its meeting on February 26, 2026.

Resource Impact

This action will result in a positive impact to the City in the amount of $113,362 with a City match of $113,362. The balance needed in the amount of $6,670 will be added to the available project balance of $106,692 for the City grant match, which will be appropriated to the accounts below contingent upon the approval of the Consolidated Budget Amendment (CAM #26-0061) on the March 3, 2026 City Commission Regular Meeting agenda.

Source:

Funds available as of February 5, 2026					
ACCOUNT NUMBER	**PROJECT NAME**	**ACCOUNT/ ACTIVITY NAME**	**AMENDED BUDGET (Character)**	**AVAILABLE BALANCE (Character)**	**AMOUNT**
10-469-9300-334-410-P12540B	Construct Runway 27 By-pass Taxiways	Intergovt Revenue/Florida Department of Transportation	$0	$0	$113,362
			APPROPRIATION TOTAL ►		$113,362

Use:

ACCOUNT NUMBER	**PROJECT NAME**	**CHARACTER/ ACCOUNT NAME**	**AMENDED BUDGET (Character)**	**AVAILABLE BALANCE (Character)**	**AMOUNT**
10-469-9300-542-60-6599-P12540B	Construct Runway 27 By-pass Taxiways	Capital Outlay/ Construction	$0	$0	$113,362
				TOTAL AMOUNT ►	$113,362

Source (Cash Match):

Funds available as of February 5, 2026					
ACCOUNT NUMBER	**COST CENTER NAME**	**ACCOUNT/ ACTIVITY NAME**	**AMENDED BUDGET (Character)**	**AVAILABLE BALANCE (Character)**	**AMOUNT**
10-468-0000-000-399-999	Airport Operations Fund	Balances and Reserves / Appropriated Fund Balance	N/A	N/A	$6,670
			APPROPRIATION TOTAL ►		$6,670

Use (Cash Match):

ACCOUNT NUMBER	**PROJECT NAME**	**CHARACTER/ ACCOUNT NAME**	**AMENDED BUDGET (Character)**	**AVAILABLE BALANCE (Character)**	**AMOUNT**
10-469-9100-542-60-6599-P12540	Construct Runway 27 By-pass Taxiways	Capital Outlay/ Construction	$140,269	$106,692	$6,670
				TOTAL AMOUNT ►	$6,670

Strategic Connections

This item supports the *Press Play Fort Lauderdale 2029* Strategic Plan, specifically advancing:

- The Infrastructure and Resilience Focus Area, Goal 4: Facilitate an efficient, multimodal transportation network
- The Business Growth and Support Focus Area, Goal 6: Build a diverse and attractive economy

This item advances the *Fast-Forward Fort Lauderdale Vision Plan 2035:* We are Prosperous.

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

- The Business Development Focus Area
- The Economic Development Area
- Goal 3: Recognize and include in economic development planning the role of Port Everglades and the Fort Lauderdale-Hollywood International Airport and Fort Lauderdale Executive Airports.

Related CAM
CAM 25-0061

Attachments
Exhibit 1 – Public Transportation Grant Agreement
Exhibit 2 – Resolution

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