



CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE
City Commission Agenda Memo
REGULAR MEETING

#14-0018

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

FROM: Lee R. Feldman, ICMA-CM, City Manager

DATE: January 7, 2014

TITLE: Resolution approving grant acceptance and grant agreements for New Freedom grants from the South Florida Regional Transportation Authority for the SunTrolley community bus service in the amount of \$564,841 total for two years

Recommendation

It is recommended that the City Commission approve a resolution authorizing the proper city officials to accept a capital grant of \$208,000 and an operating grant of \$356,841 and execute Sub-recipient Agreements with the South Florida Regional Transportation Authority (SFRTA) necessary to accept the awarded funds, in substantially the same form as attached Exhibit 1. This approval is contingent upon approval of a budget amendment and fund appropriation at the January 7, 2014 Commission meeting.

Background

On January 22, 2013 the Commission approved application by the Transportation and Mobility Department (TAM) for \$564,841 to the SFRTA for a mobility management consultant and operating costs for the Northwest/Tri-Rail and Neighborhood Links for the Downtown Fort Lauderdale Transportation Management Association (TMA) via CAM 13-0004.

The City was awarded the Federal Transportation Administration's (FTA) New Freedom grants through SFRTA for operating costs of \$356,841 for the Tri-Rail/Northwest and Neighborhood (former HACFL route) Links, plus capital costs of \$208,000 for a mobility management consultant for the community bus service, total for two years. The City is the sub-recipient. The mobility management consultant will work with the City and TMA to develop a fiscal sustainability plan, transit coordination plan, and coordinate all of the trolley routes to maximize ridership and streamline costs. The grant requires a 20% 'soft match' from toll revenue credits of \$52,000 for the Mobility Manager and 50% operating costs of \$304,841 to be provided by the TMA.

This is a reimbursable grant; the City will reimburse the eligible TMA expenses as outlined in the existing agreement between the City and the TMA (CAM 13-1208, M-12, 10/1/13) and draw against the grant for recovery of those funds.

Resource Impact

There is a net of zero dollars impact to the City. The grant acceptance is contingent upon the approval of the consolidated budget amendment memo, CAM 13-1623, scheduled for January 7, 2014.

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REVENUE							
FUND	SUBFUND	FUND NAME	INDEX #	INDEX NAME	SUB OBJECT #	SUBOBJECT NAME	AMOUNT
129	01	Fed/State/Cty Grants	GNEWF15	New Freedom Program	C317	FTA Passthrough SFRTA	356,841.00
129	01	Fed/State/Cty Grants	GNEWFMM15	New Freedom Mobility Mgr	C317	FTA Passthrough SFRTA	208,000.00
TOTAL							564,841.00
EXPENSE							
FUND	SUBFUND	FUND NAME	INDEX #	INDEX NAME	OBJECT #	SUBOBJECT NAME	AMOUNT
129	01	Fed/State/Cty Grants	GNEWF15	New Freedom Program	3299	Other Svcs	356,841.00
129	01	Fed/State/Cty Grants	GNEWFMM15	New Freedom Mobility Mgr	3199	Prof Svcs	208,000.00
TOTAL							564,841.00

Associated CAMs:

#13-0004 1/22/2013

#13-1208 10/1/2013

Strategic Connection

This item is a *Press Play Fort Lauderdale Strategic Plan 2018* initiative, included within the **Infrastructure Cylinder of Excellence**, specifically advancing:

Goal 1: Be a pedestrian friendly, multi-modal City.

Objective 1: Improve transportation options and reduce congestion by working with agency partners.

Initiative 1: Strategically route and expand the SunTrolley as an overall complement to upcoming major transportation projects.

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

Attachments:

EX 1 - SFRTA Subrecipient Agreement- New Freedom Mobility Manager

EX 2 - SFRTA Subrecipient Agreement- New Freedom Operating

EX 3 - Resolution

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