

#14-1226

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

Fort Lauderdale City Commission

**FROM**: Lee Feldman, ICMA-CM, City Manager

**DATE**: October 21, 2014

TITLE: Motion Approving a Memorandum of Agreement for Funding with Florida

Department of Transportation for Construction of Northwest

Neighborhoods Phase III

## Recommendation

It is recommended that the City Commission authorize the City Manager to execute a Memorandum of Agreement (Exhibit 1) with the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) establishing an escrow account to provide funds for the work to be performed on the Northwest Neighborhoods Phase III project.

## Background

The City developed a phased approach to streetscape improvements in the Northwest Neighborhoods. Phase I was completed in 2012. Phase II was designed and will be constructed by the City. This project, Phase III, is being designed and will be constructed by FDOT. The project is funded by a combination of an FDOT Transportation Alternatives Program grant funds and Northwest/Progresso/Flagler Heights Community Redevelopment Agency (NPFCRA) funds. The project includes milling and resurfacing of roadway, sidewalk installation, landscaping, swales, pedestrian lighting, and drainage improvements as illustrated in Exhibit 2 to the following roadways:

- Northwest 15<sup>th</sup> Way from Northwest 6<sup>th</sup> Street (Sistrunk Boulevard) to Northwest 7<sup>th</sup> Street.
- Northwest 15<sup>th</sup> Terrace from Northwest 6<sup>th</sup> Street (Sistrunk Boulevard) to Northwest 7<sup>th</sup> Street;
- Northwest 7<sup>th</sup> Street from Northwest 15<sup>th</sup> Way to Northwest 15<sup>th</sup> Terrace.

Prior to construction, FDOT requires a Memorandum of Agreement between the City and FDOT be executed, and the necessary funding agreed upon through the Locally Funded Agreement (CAM 14-1225) be transferred prior to the construction of the project to ensure that all funding is available for construction. The current construction estimate is based on the 90% design plans and includes a 20% contingency. If the

October 21, 2014 #14-1226 actual cost of the project results in a decrease to the City's share, the difference shall be refunded.

The total project cost estimate is currently \$1,207,864. The Transportation Alternatives Program grant funds will cover \$700,282 of the construction costs. The City will contribute to the project utilizing NPFCRA funding in the estimated remaining amount of \$457,582 for the construction and \$50,000 for City project administration and engineering fees, for a total cost of \$507,582.

A public meeting to review the 90% design plans will be held on Thursday, October 23, 2014 from 6:00 p.m. through 8:00 p.m. at City Hall, 100 North Andrews Avenue, Fort Lauderdale.

## **Resource Impact**

There will be a fiscal impact to the City in the amount of \$457,582 for construction and \$50,000 for estimated engineering fees, for a total of \$507,582. This item also provides funding detail for associated CAM 14-1225.

Funds available as of October 13, 2014					
ACCOUNT NUMBER	INDEX NAME (Program)	OBJECT CODE/ SUB-OBJECT NAME	AMENDED BUDGET (Object Code)	AVAILABLE BALANCE (Object Code)	PURCHASE AMOUNT
	NORTHWEST				
	NEIGHBORHOOD	OADITAL			
_	PEDESTRIAN	CAPITAL			
347-P11485.347-	PATH	OUTLAY/			
6599	IMPROVEMENTS	CONSTRUCTION	\$1,692,850	\$1,258,480	\$507,582
_			PURCHASE TOTAL →		\$507,582

## **Strategic Connections**

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

- Goal 1: Be a pedestrian friendly, multi-modal City.
- Objective 2: Improve transportation land use and planning to create a walkable and bikeable community.
- Initiative 1: Plan for the Metropolitan Planning Organization Hub network to connect people from live centers to employment centers.

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

Related CAMs: Commission Agenda Memo 14-1225

Commission Agenda Memo 14-1227

**Attachments:** Exhibit 1 – 14-1226 Memorandum of Agreement

Exhibit 2 - Project Map

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