



CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE
City Commission Agenda Memo
REGULAR MEETING

#14-1357

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

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

DATE: February 3, 2015

TITLE: Subrecipient Agreement with the Broward Metropolitan Planning
Organization for Streetscape Improvements in the Downtown Mobility Hub

Recommendation

It is recommended that the City Commission approve a subrecipient agreement with the Broward Metropolitan Planning Organization (BMPO) in the amount of \$3.5 Million. The subrecipient agreement is subject to the Federal Transit Administration's (FTA) grant award to the BMPO.

Background

The agreement sets the terms and conditions for the City to provide management of the design and construction of streetscape improvements in the Downtown Fort Lauderdale Mobility Hub area, as established in the Fort Lauderdale Downtown Mobility Hub and Joint Development Initiative completed in 2011. Streetscape improvements will enhance pedestrian and bicycle connectivity with the mass transit services and facilitate ease of movement throughout the four-block project area, generally bounded by Broward Boulevard, Andrews Avenue, NW 4th Street, and the Florida East Coast Railroad ("FEC") tracks. Project design is expected to be completed by December 2016 with the project constructed by December 2018, if not earlier.

The Fort Lauderdale Downtown Mobility Hub and Joint Development Initiative (JDI) was completed in 2011 in partnership with the Broward Metropolitan Planning Organization (BMPO), the City of Fort Lauderdale, the South Florida Regional Transportation Authority (SFRTA), Fort Lauderdale Northwest-Progresso-Flagler Heights Community Redevelopment Agency (NFP-CRA), and Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT). The partner agencies conducted the JDI in conjunction with the Broward Boulevard Gateway Project that established a long-term vision for Broward Boulevard as an entryway into Downtown Fort Lauderdale east of I-95. The effort included identifying opportunities for public-private partnership to develop a Mobility Hub. The Downtown Fort Lauderdale Mobility Hub Project includes design and construction of physical improvements to achieve a high-quality user experience, seamless mobility and mode transfer, walkability and bike ability, and to catalyze transit-oriented development.

The project focuses on improving connectivity and pedestrian and bicycle access to multiple modes of transportation in the Downtown Mobility Hub area, including:

- The Wave Streetcar
- The All Aboard Florida/FEC commuter rail station
- Transportation Management Association (TMA) Community bus/trolleys
- Pedestrian and bicycle connectivity to BCT Broward Central Terminal for buses
- Potential connections to Central Broward East-West transit extensions and stations

The concepts for streetscape improvements and implementation recommendations developed as part of this study will be further refined, designed and constructed through this subrecipient agreement.

Resource Impact

There is a fiscal impact to the City in the amount of \$3.5 million for this action. Funding for this grant will be appropriated through the consolidated budget amendment, CAM #15-0010 that is a companion item on this agenda. The MPO is applying state toll revenue credits as the required match for this project.

Appropriate:

<i>Funds available as of January 26, 2015</i>					
ACCOUNT NUMBER	INDEX NAME (Program)	OBJECT CODE/ SUB-OBJECT NAME	AMENDED BUDGET (Object Code)	AVAILABLE BALANCE (Object Code)	AMOUNT
129-P12626.129-C321	Downtown Fort Lauderdale Mobility Hub Project	Intergov't Revenue/US DOT pass thru BMPO	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$3,500,000.00
APPROPRIATION TOTAL →					\$3,500,000.00

Appropriate:

ACCOUNT NUMBER	INDEX NAME (Program)	OBJECT CODE/ SUB-OBJECT NAME	AMENDED BUDGET (Object Code)	AVAILABLE BALANCE (Object Code)	AMOUNT
129-P12626.129-6599	Downtown Fort Lauderdale Mobility Hub Project	Capital Outlay/Construction	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$3,500,000.00
APPROPRIATION TOTAL →					\$3,500,000.00

Strategic Connection

This item is a Commission Annual Action Plan priority, included within the Management Agenda, advancing the Wave Streetcar and All Aboard Florida Commuter Rail.

It is also 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 3:** Work with partners to construct the Wave Streetcar, including the Transit-Oriented Development (TOD) ordinances and connections to airport, port, and rail stations.

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

Related CAM: #15-0010

Attachment:
Exhibit 1 – MPO Agreement

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