



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

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

DATE: March 17, 2015

TITLE: Road Transfer Agreement between Broward County and the City of Fort
Lauderdale

Recommendation

It is recommended that the City Commission adopt a resolution authorizing the execution of a Road Transfer Agreement between Broward County and the City of Fort Lauderdale for Northwest 19th Street from Northwest 9th Avenue (Powerline Road) to Northwest 7th Avenue and authorize execution of agreement by the City Manager.

Background

In May of 2013, a Notice to Proceed was issued for the construction of project number 11695, South Middle River Sidewalk Improvements, with the understanding that the project location was within the City's right-of-way. Broward County later determined that they held jurisdiction over this area and shut down construction due to a lack of permits. In order to resume construction, the project would need to be redesigned and constructed based on the County's minimum standards (six -inch sidewalk thickness rather than four -inch) or, as an alternative, the right-of-way could be transferred to the City allowing the remainder of the work to be completed as originally designed.

The County will not issue a permit based on the existing conditions and original design requested by the neighborhood. Therefore, based on the meetings that City staff had with their counterparts at the County, the most efficient solution is to transfer the jurisdiction of the roadway to the City to allow construction to resume using the original design. The City has requested jurisdiction over the right-of-way. If approved, the maintenance, repair, and stormwater management of the road, sidewalks, and swales will become the City's responsibility.

Resource Impact

There is no fiscal impact to the City for this Road Transfer Agreement at this time. There may be maintenance costs in the future.

Strategic Connections:

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 3: Improve pedestrian, bicyclist, and vehicular safety.

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

Attachments:

Exhibit 1 – Location Sketch and Legal Description

Exhibit 2 – Road Transfer Agreement

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