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TO: Honorable Mayor & Members of the

Fort Lauderdale City Commission

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

DATE: September 1, 2015

TITLE: Central Beach Master Plan Public Improvement Projects Update

## Las Olas Boulevard Corridor and Beach Streetscape Improvement Projects

On October 12, 2015 the City Commission will hold a joint workshop with the Beach Redevelopment Advisory Board (BRAB) to review the 30% design plans and cost estimates for the Las Olas Boulevard Corridor Project and the Beach Streetscape Improvement Project. The purpose of this workshop is to provide direction on design concepts and spending priorities, and to allow the consultants to move forward with Design Review Committee (DRC), Planning and Zoning Board, and City Commission approvals. It will also allow the City to issue a second task order to EDSA, Inc. to complete final design and for Skanska USA Building, Inc. to a provide final guaranteed maximum price (GMP). City staff anticipates the following milestone dates:

- August 28th EDSA finished 30% Design
- September 21<sup>st</sup> Skanska finishes 30% estimate October 12<sup>th</sup> Joint Commission/BRAB Meeting
- November 3<sup>rd</sup> Formal DRC drawing submission

## **Aquatics Center**

At the August 18, 2015 Community Redevelopment Agency Board of Directors (CRA) meeting, the CRA approved the transfer of \$28,590 to fund two items associated with the renovation of the Aquatics Center. The first item is a new task order for \$24,990 to Atkins Engineers, Inc., using the City's existing continuing services contract for cost estimating consultant services to perform a final cost estimate of Recreational Design and Construction, Inc.'s (RDC) 90% construction documents and to verify the final GMP.

The second item is a deposit for \$3,600 to Florida Power and Light (FPL) for engineering design services to relocate FPL's switchgear vault to facilitate the renovation of the Aquatics Center. The current infrastructure is located within the footprint of the existing building. The proposed new location will still be within the building footprint, but will be located further to the west. Approval of the task order and the consolidated budget amendment (which will transfer the funds) are both scheduled for the September 1, 2015 City Commission Regular Agenda.

RDC is one month late with the deliverables for the 90% Construction Documents (CD's) and the final Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP). RDC has provided the following revised deliverable dates:

- **September 11<sup>th</sup>** RDC provides 90% CD's to City staff for review.
- **September 30<sup>th</sup>** City staff returns 90% CD's to RDC with mark-ups and comments.
- October 2<sup>nd</sup> RDC provides final GMP to City staff.
- October 20<sup>th</sup> RDC provides 90% CD's incorporating staff mark-ups and comments.
- November 17<sup>th</sup> Conference Agenda Memorandum seeking approval of 90% CD's and final GMP.

## **Strategic Connections**

This item is a *Commission Annual Action Plan* top priority, included in the Policy Agenda, advancing the Beach Community Redevelopment Agency projects.

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

- Goal 3: Be a community that finds opportunities and leverages partnerships to create unique, inviting, and connected gathering places that highlight our beaches, waterways, urban areas and parks.
- Objective 1: Improve access to and enjoyment of our beach, Riverwalk, waterways, parks, and open spaces for everyone.

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

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