

#15-1410

TO: Honorable Mayor & Members of the

Fort Lauderdale City Commission

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

DATE: November 3, 2015

TITLE: Resolution Authorizing the Acceptance of Grant Funds and Execution of a

Supplemental Joint Participation Agreement with the Florida Department

of Transportation for the Downtown Link Route

Recommendation

It is recommended that the City Commission adopt a resolution authorizing the City Manager to accept and execute the supplemental Joint Participation Agreement with the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) in the amount of \$182,680 for operating funds.

Background

At the November 19, 2013 meeting, the City Commission approved Transportation and Mobility Department's (TAM) request to accept the agreement and funding of the first year of the Transit Corridor grant for operating costs for the expansion of the Downtown Link of the Sun Trolley service (CAM 13-0996). Subsequently, at the December 2, 2014 meeting, the City Commission approved TAM's request for a second year of funding for operating costs (CAM 14-1403).

FDOT is extending the funding for an additional year of Transit Corridor operating costs in the amount of \$182,680 for the second bus for the Sun Trolley Downtown Link. There is no match requirement for this grant. The City of Fort Lauderdale (City) will draw down grant funds after reimbursing the Downtown Fort Lauderdale Transportation Management Association (TMA), the Link's operator, for their grant eligible expenses. The grant will fund eligible expenses as outlined in the existing agreement with the TMA.

The City and the TMA have a current agreement for community bus operations approved by the City Commission on March 17, 2015 (CAM 15-0078).

Resource Impact

There is an anticipated positive fiscal impact to the City in the amount of \$182,680. The grant does not require matching funds. The funding is contingent upon the approval of the Consolidated Budget Amendment CAM 15-1312 scheduled for the November 3,

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2015 Commission meeting.

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 Sun Trolley as an overall complement to upcoming major transportation projects.

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

Related CAM:

15-1312 Consolidated Budget Amendment

Attachments

Exhibit 1 FDOT Supplemental Joint Participation Agreement \$182,680.00 Exhibit 2 Resolution

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