

#16-0406

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

Fort Lauderdale City Commission

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

**DATE**: April 19, 2016

**TITLE**: South Side School Update

The purpose of this memorandum is to provide an update regarding the South Side School project.

## **Northeast Area**

The City Commission awarded a contract for South Side School Restoration Project on November 3, 2015. The lowest bidder was Di Pompeo Construction with a total bid of \$3,114,000, including allowance and \$103,000 for additional parking as a bid alternate.

The City Commission approved Change Order No. 1 in the credit amount of (\$266,883) on March 15, 2016, CAM 16-0315. Subsequently City staff issued Change Order No. 2 to the Contractor, dated March 29, 2016, incorporating Exhibits A, B, & C, which were generated as back-up documentation for Change Order No. 1. There was no cost associated with Change Order No. 2. On April 5, 2016 the Contractor provided a signed contract with change orders 1 & 2 however the required documents were not signed correctly and required resubmission. The contractor has signed the contract and Procurement Division is routing it for final approval.. NTP for construction is anticipated to be issued on April 29, 2016.

Final construction drawings for South Side School were approved by the City's Historical Preservation Board on August 3, 2015, by Broward County on March 18, 2015, and by State Division of Historical Resources on May 26, 2015. The initial permit reviews (by the City's Building Division) were also completed. The Consultant revised all construction drawings to incorporate the required modifications as described above, which were submitted to governing agencies for review on December 14, 2015. The State Division of Historical Resources and Broward County approved the revisions. DSD has completed the permit review process and the permit is currently ready to be issued.

## **Southeast Area**

City staff is working with the City's lobbyists in an attempt to get Florida Communities Trust (FCT) to waive or reduce the current payment requirement of \$123,360 associated

with the Restrictive Covenants that accompany the property. This work is currently on hold and it is not part of the current package.

As a result of the City's lobbyist efforts, FCT, through the Secretary of FDEP, has agreed to waive the payment to be confirmed in a Memorandum of Understanding.

## **Strategic Connections**

This item is a *Press Play Fort Lauderdale Strategic Plan 2018* initiative, included within 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.

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

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