



CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE
City Commission Agenda Memo
REGULAR MEETING

#16-0433

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

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

DATE: June 21, 2016

TITLE: Motion Authorizing Execution of a Revocable License with 299 N. Federal Master LLC, for Temporary Right of Way Closure Along NE 3rd Street Associated with the Tribute & Element Hotel Development

Recommendation

It is recommended that the City Commission approve a motion to authorize the execution of a Revocable License with 299 N. Federal Master LLC, a Delaware limited liability company, owner of the Tribute & Element Hotel development, for the temporary closure of City Right of Way (R.O.W.) along NE 3rd Street. The closure is needed to facilitate construction of off-site R.O.W. and utility improvements along NE 3rd Street adjacent to the development site at 299 N. Federal Highway.

Background

The Tribute & Element Hotel development is a 24 story project, including 323 room hotels and 12,330 square feet of commercial retail uses which was approved under Development Review Committee (DRC) Case R15047. A copy of the location map is attached as Exhibit 1.

The sole access to the development site for construction traffic is along NE 3rd Street, and due to the project size and number of construction trucks and vehicles that need to access the site each day from NE 3rd Street, the temporary partial closure is warranted by City staff. DRC reviewed the request for the roadway closure and recommended approval of the Maintenance of Traffic Plan (MOT) and Construction Staging and Storage Plan under DRC Case Number PRW16001. A copy of the MOT and Construction Staging and Storage Plan is included in the Revocable License Agreement and attached as Exhibit 2.

The closure affects the northern half of NE 3rd Street and is needed to mitigate impact to the surrounding area, install improvements within the R.O.W. (utilities and streetscape improvements), control and limit access to the construction site, and ensure the safety of pedestrians. The Revocable License will require insurance, indemnification, and will prohibit the staging of cranes and construction materials within the City R.O.W.

Resource Impact

There is no fiscal impact associated with this action.

Strategic Connections

This item is a *Press Play Fort Lauderdale Strategic Plan* initiative, included within the Business Development Cylinder of Excellence, specifically advancing:

- Goal 7: Be a well-positioned City within the global economic and tourism markets of the South Florida region, leveraging our airports, port, and rail connections.
- Objective 2: Facilitate a responsive and proactive business climate.

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

Attachments

Exhibit 1 – Location Map

Exhibit 2 – Revocable License

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