#16-0715

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

Fort Lauderdale City Commission

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

**DATE**: July 12, 2016

**TITLE**: Motion to Approve an Agreement with Downtown Development Authority

(DDA) for the Acquisition of Easements and the Permitting and Construction of the Riverwalk Extension Project - \$300,000

#### **Recommendation**

It is recommended that the City Commission approve a motion for an Agreement with Downtown Development Authority (DDA) for the acquisition of easements and the permitting and construction of the Riverwalk Extension Project and to provide funding for the project in the amount of \$300,000.

## **Background**

At the May 6, 2014 Commission meeting, the City Commission adopted a Resolution accepting the two Riverwalk Linear Park Easement Deeds from 1) Las Olas Yacht Club Associates LTD and 2) the Stranahan House, in order to extend Riverwalk over and across these two properties connecting Riverwalk to Laura Ward Park.

The City and the DDA desire to work together to fund further improvements to the Riverwalk including construction, and completion of additional walkways, landscaping, irrigation, lighting, seawall and other improvements consistent with the natures of the improvements otherwise constructed within the Riverwalk.

The responsibility of the City shall be to provide funding in the amount, not to exceed, \$300,000 to the DDA for the acquisition of easements and the permitting and construction of the Riverwalk Extension Project.

#### **Resource Impact**

There will be a fiscal impact to the City in the amount of \$300,000.

Funds available as of 06/14/2016					
ACCOUNT NUMBER	INDEX NAME (Program)	CHARACTER CODE/ SUB-OBJECT NAME	AMENDED BUDGET (Character)	AVAILABLE BALANCE (Character)	PURCHASE AMOUNT
350-P12057.350- 6599	Riverwalk Extension	Capital Outlay/ Construction	\$300,000	\$300,000	\$300,000
			PURCHASE TOTAL ►		\$300,000

# **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 1: Improve transportation options and reduce congestion by working with agency partners.

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

### **Attachment**

Exhibit 1 – Agreement

Prepared by: Carolyn Bean, Parks and Recreation

Department Director: Phil Thornburg, Parks and Recreation