



CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE
City Commission Agenda Memo
REGULAR MEETING

#17-0137

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

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

DATE: February 21, 2017

TITLE: Resolution Approving the Submittal of a Grant Application to the Florida
Inland Navigation District for Bill Keith Preserve Shoreline Stabilization
Phase I Design and Permitting

Recommendation

It is recommended that the City Commission approve a resolution authorizing the City Manager to submit an application for grant funding of \$60,000 to the Florida Inland Navigation District (FIND) for shoreline stabilization design and permitting at the Bill Keith Preserve. This grant requires a City match of \$60,000.

Background

FIND administers the Waterway Assistance Program (WAP) program. FIND provides funding assistance to local governments within the District to provide public access to the waterways and shoreline stabilization.

The Bill Keith Preserve is a 4 acre natural area located along the South Fork of New River just east of the I-95 overpass. In 2005, the land was purchased by Broward County and leased to the city. The preserve was created by the City of Fort Lauderdale, area neighbors and the Shady Banks Association. Over time, wakes created by vessel traffic along that stretch of the river has significantly eroded the shoreline in the preserve. The project will consist of obtaining the required environmental permits to grade, fill and place a boulder wave break along the shore line of the park.

The grant application requires the submission of a Resolution indicating City Commission approval of the submission of the application and a commitment of the grants matching funds.

Resource Impact

There is no fiscal impact associated with the grant application at this time. The Grant will be brought back to the City Commission for execution and appropriation if awarded.

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.
 - Objective 1: Improve access to and enjoyment of our beach, Riverwalk, waterways, parks, and open spaces for everyone

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

Attachments

Exhibit 1 – Grant Pre-application Form

Exhibit 2 – Resolution

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