



- TO: Honorable Mayor & Members of the Fort Lauderdale City Commission
- **FROM**: Lee R. Feldman, ICMA-CM, City Manager
- **DATE**: April 19, 2017
- TITLE:Motion approving the submittal of a grant application for \$5,100 to the
Florida Inland Navigation District Small Scale Derelict Vessel Removal
Program to Remove Sunken Derelict Vessel on the Intracoastal Waterway

Recommendation

It is recommended that the City Commission approve a motion authorizing the City Manager to submit an application for grant funding of \$5,100 to the Florida Inland Navigation District – Small Scale Derelict Vessel Removal Program. This grant requires a City match of \$1,700.

Background

The Florida Inland Navigation District (FIND) administers the Waterway Assistance Program (WAP). FIND provides funding assistance to local governments within the district to provide public access to area waterways through boat ramps and floating docks.

On November 14, 2016 the City of Fort Lauderdale Police Marine Unit deemed a 28 ft. abandoned vessel derelict. This vessel sank within the City limits on the Intracoastal Waterway. The vessel created an environmental and navigational hazard. The Vessel was removed by a disposal contractor on January 6, 2017 at a total cost to the City of \$6,800.

The Florida Inland Navigation District Small Scale Derelict Vessel Removal Program will fund up to 75%, or in this case \$5,100 of the costs needed to salvage and dispose of this derelict vessel. The remaining costs of \$1,700 to remove the vessel will be acquired from a Broward Boating Improvement Grant which was awarded to the City in 2014.

Resource Impact

There is no fiscal impact associated with the grant application. 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 with in the Internal Support Cylinder of Excellence, specifically advancing:

- Goal12: Be a leading government organization, managing resources wisely and sustainably.
- Objective 1: Ensure sound fiscal management.

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

Attachment: Exhibit 1 –Grant Pre-application Form

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