



CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE
City Commission Agenda Memo
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TO: Honorable Mayor & Members of the
Fort Lauderdale City Commission

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

DATE: July 11, 2017

TITLE: Central Beach Master Plan Public Improvement Projects Update

The purpose of this memorandum is to provide updates on the Las Olas Boulevard Corridor and Beach Streetscape Improvement projects, the Las Olas Marina expansion and the Aquatics Center renovation. There are 39 months remaining before the Beach Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA) sunsets on September 30, 2020.

Las Olas Boulevard Corridor

Skanska USA Building Inc. (the City's Construction Manager at Risk) has begun mobilization on the project. Temporary construction fencing was installed on July 5, 2017 with site clearing and demolition scheduled for the week of July 10, 2017. The contractor trailer is scheduled to arrive the week of July 17, 2017.

Beach Streetscape Improvement Projects

The Beach Streetscape Improvement design is on schedule. The construction for the project is expected to begin in the first quarter of 2019. On April 11, 2016 the Beach Business Improvement District (BID) recommended approval to fund the design of turtle-compliant lights on the west side of SR A1A, north of the CRA boundaries (Alhambra Street to Sunrise Boulevard). The construction funding for the lights will come from the remaining \$1.57 million of Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) Joint Participation Agreement (JPA) grant. The City will be responsible for any construction costs that exceed the FDOT JPA funds. Staff received correspondence from FDOT that JPA funds will be available in Fiscal Year 2020. It is recommended to add this work to the Beach Streetscape Improvement project to potentially reduce construction costs and finish construction earlier. Staff will bring a design change order to the City Commission to fund the light pole design for the area outside of the Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA) boundaries with BID funds, as this is in addition to the original scope of design services.

A design conflict with an existing City water main was discovered on the project. In order to maintain the current design, a portion of the water main will be relocated under SR A1A. Staff discussed the potential water main relocation with the Beach Redevelopment Board (BRB) at their September 19, 2016 meeting. The Beach

Redevelopment Board (BRB) recommended keeping the current design – which means relocating the water main. Staff is working with FDOT to allow the water main to be relocated under SR A1A roadway. If FDOT approves, staff will present to the BRB for a recommendation to fund the water main relocation utilizing CRA funds and add to the Beach Streetscape Improvement project's scope of work.

Las Olas Marina Expansion

On October 5, 2016 the City Commission approved an award of the Las Olas Marina Lease, Management, & Development to Suntex Marina Investors LLC in partnership with Edgewater Resources, LLC (now Las Olas SMI, LLC) and authorized commencement of negotiations of a lease agreement. The approval of the final lease with Las Olas SMI, LLC is scheduled for the July 11, 2017 CRA Board of Commissioners and City Commission meetings.

Aquatics Center

On Wednesday, October 5, 2016 the City Commission approved a task order to Synalovski Romanik Saye, LLC (SRS) to prepare a design criteria package for the Aquatic Center renovation. On June 20, 2016 the CRA Board of Commissioners reviewed the Aquatic Center schematic design and budget and gave staff direction to move forward with a Request for Proposal (RFP). Staff is preparing a RFP package to procure a design-build team.

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