

TO:	CRA Chairman & Board of Commissioners Fort Lauderdale Community Redevelopment Agency
FROM:	Lee R. Feldman, ICMA-CM, Executive Director
DATE:	August 22, 2017
TITLE:	Resolution Approving an Amendment to Inter-local Agreement for the NE 13 <sup>th</sup> Street Complete Street Project between Broward County, City of Fort Lauderdale and Fort Lauderdale Community Redevelopment Agency

#### **Recommendation**

It is recommended that the Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA) Board of Commissioners adopt a resolution approving an amendment to the Inter-local Agreement for the NE 13<sup>th</sup> Street Complete Street Project between Broward County, the City of Fort Lauderdale and the Fort Lauderdale Community Redevelopment Agency.

#### **Background**

The City of Fort Lauderdale and the Fort Lauderdale Community Redevelopment Agency were awarded a grant in the amount of \$1,500,000 from Broward County under Broward Redevelopment Program (BRP) on November 12, 2013 for the NE 13<sup>th</sup> Street Complete Street Project and on June 26, 2014 entered into an inter-local agreement. The inter-local agreement between Broward County, City of Fort Lauderdale and Fort Lauderdale Community Redevelopment Agency (Agreement) has a termination date of October 31, 2017 (Exhibit 1).

The construction project is being administered by the City of Fort Lauderdale's Department of Transportation and Mobility. The agreement is structured on a reimbursement basis with the first disbursement by the County in the amount of \$500,000 occurring upon approval by the County of the construction contract, approved plans and all required development and permit approvals for the project, which occurred on May 11, 2017. The second and final disbursement in the amount of \$1,000,000 will occur at the completion of the project when the City submits all receipts, approved permits, certificates of completion, sign offs and all other necessary documentation indicating the work is completed in a satisfactory manner including a professional engineer signing and sealing that the project is complete, operational and in substantial conformance with the plans and specifications.

The City has a construction contract with Sagaris Corporation for the NE 13<sup>th</sup> Street Complete Street Project that was awarded by the City and CRA on August 16, 2016.

The contractor has until October 15, 2017 to complete the project pending no additional weather delays. However, since the Agreement terminates on October 31, 2017, there is insufficient time to process the final disbursement package to the County according to the grant documents and have it reviewed and approved before the Agreement terminates. The County Housing Finance and Community Redevelopment Division is aware of this issue and the need to extend the termination date of the Agreement.

The City Manager provided a letter to the County on July 21, 2017 requesting an additional six month extension of the termination date in the Agreement (Exhibit 2). A copy of the amendment changing the termination date of the Agreement to April 30, 2018 is attached as Exhibit 3. County staff has informed us that this item is anticipated to be placed before the County Commission for their consideration at their meeting of October 10 or October 24, 2017.

# Resource Impact

There is no fiscal impact.

## Strategic Connections:

This project helps implement the Central City Community Redevelopment Plan and the City's Multimodal Connectivity plan. This item is a *Press Play Fort Lauderdale Strategic Plan 2018* initiative, included in the Infrastructure cylinder of Excellence, specifically advancing:

- Goal 1: Be a pedestrian friendly multi-modal City.
- Objective 2: Integrate transportation land use and planning to create a walkable and bikeable community.
- Strategic Initiative 4: Develop bike amenities.
- Strategic Initiative 6: Develop and implement The Connectivity Master Plan to improve accessibility.
- Strategic Initiative 8: Complete Streets.
- Objective 3: Improve pedestrian, bicyclist and vehicular safety.
- Strategic Initiative 1: Improve traffic calming mechanisms to increase safety. through environmental design.

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

## Related CAM

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## **Attachments**

Exhibit 1 – Inter-local Agreement with Broward County Exhibit 2 – Letter to Broward County Exhibit 3 – Resolution

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