#17-1425

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

Fort Lauderdale City Commission

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

**DATE**: January 3, 2018

**TITLE**: Motion to Approve Beach Business Improvement District (BID) Funding for

the Fort Lauderdale A1A Marathon & Half Marathon in the Amount of

\$20,000

### Recommendation

It is recommended that the City Commission approve a motion to provide funding in the amount of \$20,000 for the Exclusive Sports Marketing, Inc. of Florida, as unanimously approved by the Beach Business Improvement District Committee (BID) at their regular meeting on November 13, 2017.

# **Background**

Exclusive Sports Marketing, Inc. of Florida requested \$35,000 in BID sponsorship for the Fort Lauderdale A1A Marathon & Half Marathon Event, but the BID reduced this amount and recommended \$20,000. The event will be located at the Fort Lauderdale Beach on Sunday, February 18, 2018 from 6 a.m. to 2 p.m. The proposed activities planned include a marathon, and a half marathon and the use of South Beach Park lot as the finish line area and post-race celebration. The BID Funding Application provides a detailed description of the event and the economic impact in Exhibit 1.

The cost to produce the event is \$350,000. Funds from the BID would be used for marketing the event to out-of-town markets to drive destination participants. Other revenue sources include \$400,000 from ticket sales, \$215,000 from corporate sponsorship, and \$10,000 from Broward County. The applicant plans on marketing the event using digital and social media tools such as Facebook and Instagram.

The Beach Business Improvement Assessment is a non-ad valorem assessment for the cost of providing beach business improvements services, facilities and programs that have a special benefit to business property located within the beach area. This proposal is consistent with the legislative determinations of special benefit found in Ordinance C-06-34, Section 1.04(A)(2), by increasing the number of visitors to the BID District.

## Resource Impact

Funds for Fort Lauderdale A1A Marathon & Half Marathon in the amount of \$20,000 are available in Fiscal Year 2018.

Funds available as of December 7,2017					
ACCOUNT NUMBER	INDEX NAME (Program)	CHARACTER CODE/ SUB- OBJECT NAME	AMENDED BUDGET (Character)	AVAILABLE BALANCE (Character)	AMOUNT
135-MGR143502-4207	Beach Business Improvement District	Other Operating Expenditures/ Promotional Contributions	\$522,009	\$419,674	\$20,000.00
			TOTAL AMOUNT ►		\$20,000.00

# **Strategic Connections**

This item is a *Press Play Fort Lauderdale Strategic Plan 2018* initiative, included within the Business Development Cylinder of Excellence, specifically advancing:

- Goal 7: Be a well-positioned City within the global economic and tourism markets of South Florida region, leveraging our airports, ports and rail connections.
- Objective 2: Facilitate a responsive and proactive business climate.

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

#### Attachment

Exhibit 1 – BID Funding Application – Fort Lauderdale A1A Marathon & Half Marathon Exhibit 2 – Grant Participation Agreement

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