#18-0218

TO: CRA Chairman & Board of Commissioners

Fort Lauderdale Community Redevelopment Agency

FROM: Lee R. Feldman, ICMA-CM, Executive Director

DATE: March 6, 2018

TITLE: Motion to Approve Funding for a Florida Inland Navigation District (FIND)

Grant Match for the Bahia Mar Yachting Center Dredging Project Phase II

in the Amount of \$567,105

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA) Board of Commissioners approve funding for a FIND grant match for the Bahia Mar Yachting Center Dredging Project Phase II in the amount of \$567,105 as unanimously recommended by the Beach Redevelopment Board (BRB) at its February 19, 2018 meeting.

Background

FIND has completed dredging the Intracoastal Waterway (ICW) from Port Everglades to approximately 5,000 feet north of the Las Olas Boulevard Bridge to 17 feet Mean Low Water.

FIND's plan to dredge was originally presented to the City Commission in March 2010 along with FIND Dredging Grant opportunities for publicly owned waterfront properties to connect its sites to the deepened Intracoastal Waterway. The City applied for and was awarded funding for Phase I design and permitting work to dredge Bahia Mar in October 2013 and in October 2016. Since then, Bahia Mar has applied for and received dredging permits independently. The City Commission approved by Resolution 17-59 applying for this grant at its March 21, 2017 Regular Meeting.

The dredge site consists of two (2) areas of submerged land as shown on Exhibit 1. The area outlined in yellow is submerged land owned by the City and leased to Bahia Mar. The area outlined in orange is State-owned submerged sovereign land. Bahia Mar will independently dredge the portion of the submerged land owned by the City and leased by Bahia Mar (outlined in yellow in Exhibit 1) and provide the FIND grant match of \$323,263 for the area. The City will contract separately to dredge the State-owned submerged land (outlined in orange in Exhibit 1). The FIND grant match for this area is \$567,105 which is the amount requested from the CRA.

To provide funding for this request, the CRA will need to transfer funds from DC Alexander Park Improvement Project (P12373) and the Central Beach Wayfinding Information Signage (P11595). Funds transferred from these projects will be replaced with FY 2019 Tax Increment Finance (TIF) revenues.

The BRB unanimously recommended approval of the request, provided that the funding transferred from the DC Alexander Park Improvement Project and the Central Beach Wayfinding Informational Signage is replaced with FY 2019 TIF revenues.

The funding for the proposed dredging is in compliance with the Beach Community Redevelopment Plan goal of maintaining public access to the beach and the Intracoastal Waterway. The proposal also conforms to the Plan's Planned Public Improvement policy for marina development by providing for marina expansion opportunities in the Community Redevelopment Area.

Resource Impact

There will be a resource impact in the amount of \$567,105 associated with this action.

Source:

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Funds available as of February 26, 2018								
ACCOUNT NUMBER	INDEX NAME (Program)	CHARACTER CODE/ SUB- OBJECT NAME	AMENDED BUDGET (Character)	AVAILABLE BALANCE (Character)	AMOUNT			
346.P12373.346- 6599	DC Alexander Improvement Project	Capital Outlay/Construction	\$589,906	\$589,906	\$191,121			
346.P11595.346- 6599	Central Beach Wayfinding Info Signage	Capital Outlay/Construction	\$450,000	\$375,984	\$375,984			
		_	TOTAL AMOUNT →		\$567,105			

Use:

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ACCOUNT NUMBER	INDEX NAME (Program)	CHARACTER CODE/ SUB- OBJECT NAME	AMENDED BUDGET (Character)	AVAILABLE BALANCE (Character)	AMOUNT			
346.P12371.346- 6599	Bahia Mar Dredging	Capital Outlay/Construction	\$0	\$0	\$567,105			
			TOTAL AMOUNT →		\$567,105			

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 the 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.

Related CAMS

#18-0098 – Resolution Approving the Consolidated Budget Amendment to Fiscal Year 2018 - Appropriation

Attachment:

Exhibit 1 – Marina Dredge Site Graphic

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