#18-0491

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

Fort Lauderdale City Commission

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

**DATE**: July 10, 2018

TITLE: Quasi-Judicial Resolution to Approve a Pedestrian Access Easement

Vacation - Holman Automotive, Inc. Located at 900 East Sunrise Boulevard

- Holman Bentley Aston Martin - Case E17006

## Recommendation

It is recommended that the City Commission adopt a resolution vacating a 20 foot pedestrian access easement which runs north/south along the subject property located at 900 East Sunrise Boulevard. The request satisfies the provisions of the City's Unified Land Development Regulations (ULDR), Section 47-24.7, Vacation of Easement.

# **Background**

The proposed pedestrian access easement vacation application is part of a request to develop Holman Bentley Aston Martin's new showroom and maintenance facility, located at 900 East Sunrise Boulevard. The applicant proposes to vacate a 20 foot pedestrian access easement dedicated to the City located along the east property line of Parcel A of the BMW Sunrise Plat. The applicant will be responsible for relocating any utilities known or unknown and found to be within the vacated area during the development permitting process.

The City's Development Review Committee (DRC) reviewed the application on December 12, 2017, and all comments have been addressed. The application and record are available for review upon request with the Department of Sustainable Development. The pedestrian access easement location map is attached as Exhibit 1.

The applicant has agreed to construct improvements within the City's ROW. These improvements include the installation of raised traffic calming devices, crosswalks, five parallel parking spaces, new park signage, and a landscape buffer. The application, applicant's narrative responses to vacation of easement criteria, and details of the ROW improvements are attached as Exhibit 2.

The sketch and legal description are provided as Exhibit 3.

The City Commission shall consider the application, the record, staff recommendation, and public comment on the application when determining whether the application meets the criteria for vacation.

The applicant is also requesting to vacate a 5 foot access and parking easement which is addressed in CAM 18-0490 also on the agenda.

Should the Commission approve the proposed vacation, the following conditions apply:

- Any City infrastructure known or unknown and found to be within the vacated area shall be relocated at the expense of the applicant, and the relocated facilities shall be required to be inspected and accepted by the City's Public Works Department; and
- Any other utility infrastructure known or unknown and found to be within the vacated area shall be relocated at the expense of the applicant, and the relocated facilities shall be required to be inspected and accepted by the applicable utility agency or service provider.

# Resource Impact

There is no fiscal impact associated with this action.

#### **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, port, and rail connections.
- Objective 2: Facilitate a responsive and proactive business climate.

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

## **Attachments**

Exhibit 1 – Site Location Map

Exhibit 2 – Application, Applicant's Narratives and Criteria

Exhibit 3 – Sketch and Legal Description

Exhibit 4 – Resolution

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