



CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE
City Commission Agenda Memo
CRA BOARD MEETING

#18-0999

TO: CRA Chairman and Board of Commissioners
Fort Lauderdale Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA)

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

DATE: September 25, 2018

TITLE: Resolution to Approve Budget Amendment – Appropriation of \$525,000 from the NW 9th Avenue Improvement Project to the Sistrunk Crosswalk Project

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA) Board of Commissioners approve the Budget Amendment of \$525,000 from the NW 9th Avenue Improvement Project to the Sistrunk Crosswalk Project.

Background

Sistrunk Boulevard is the main street of the Northwest neighborhood which includes restaurants, local shopping, and services. This corridor hosts people moving by vehicle, bus, bike, and on foot. The Sistrunk Crosswalks Project has been requested by the community for many years to help improve safety along Sistrunk Boulevard for all people moving along the corridor. The budget was developed in coordination with our consultant to design six additional crosswalks along Sistrunk Boulevard.

The Transportation and Mobility Department (TAM) will work with neighbors and stakeholders around Sistrunk Boulevard to finalize locations of these additional crosswalks. TAM will utilize a consultant under contract through the department's continuing services contract that were competitively procured for transportation planning and design services. The final crosswalk locations will be shared with the selected consultant, Kimley Horn and Associates, Inc, to complete the concept design to take to the public for review and final engineering design for construction. Project scope and fee breakdowns by the consultant for design services are attached as Exhibit 1. Crosswalk design will evaluate the need for standard mid-block crossings, Rapid Flashing Beacon crosswalk, or signalized crosswalk. Following the completion of the design phase, the City will work to procure a construction contractor and implement the crosswalks projects as one construction project.

A recommendation to fund this project in the amount of \$525,000 for design and construction was unanimously recommended by the Northwest Progresso Flagler Heights Redevelopment Advisory Board at their regular meeting on June 12, 2018.

Consistency with the NPF CRA Community Redevelopment Plan

The investment in the transportation system will support the growing population in the CRA district and encourage more pedestrian activity. Sistrunk Corridor Improvements provide for parking, pedestrian use and redevelopment of buildings and may call for additional improvements to provide for safety and identification along the roadway and medians. Pedestrian projects may include sidewalk enhancements, lighting, upgrades to infrastructure and other pedestrian amenities. The NPF CRA Advisory Board shall be advisory to both the City and CRA, and help ensure that the work of redevelopment shall be carried out pursuant to the Plan. Coordinating opportunities for citizen input and participation in finalizing or refining program and project plans, and in establishing priorities for preparation of the annual public improvements program budget are primary responsibilities for the Advisory Board.

Resource Impact

There will be a fiscal impact to the CRA in the amount of \$525,000 in Fiscal Year 2018. The companion CAM to this item, Consolidated Budget Amendment CAM #18-0528 (Item J), was approved on September 4th, 2018.

Appropriate From:

Funds available as of September 6, 2018					
ACCOUNT NUMBER	INDEX NAME (Program)	CHARACTER CODE/ SUBOBJECT NAME	AMENDED BUDGET (Character)	AVAILABLE BALANCE (Character)	PAYMENT AMOUNT
347-P11487.347-6599	Northwest 9th Avenue Improvements	Capital Outlay/Construction	\$1,930,000	\$712,823	\$525,000
PURCHASE TOTAL ►					\$525,000

Appropriate To:

Funds available as of September 6, 2018					
ACCOUNT NUMBER	INDEX NAME (Program)	CHARACTER CODE/ SUBOBJECT NAME	AMENDED BUDGET (Character)	AVAILABLE BALANCE (Character)	PAYMENT AMOUNT
347-P12443.347-6599	Sistrunk Crosswalks	Capital Outlay/Construction	\$0	\$0	\$525,000
PURCHASE TOTAL ►					\$525,000

Strategic Connections

This item is a *Commission Annual Action Plan* priority, included within the Policy Agenda, advancing the Northwest Progresso Flagler Heights CRA – Capital Improvements and Housing strategy.

This item is a *Press Play Fort Lauderdale Strategic Plan 2018-2019* initiative, included within the Neighborhood Enhancement Cylinder of Excellence, specifically advancing:

- Goal 5: Be a community of strong, beautiful and healthy neighborhoods.

- 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.
- Initiative 1: Evaluate and expand our existing portfolio of business attraction Incentives.

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

Attachments

Exhibit 1 - Engineering Design Services, Scope and Fee

Exhibit 2 - Resolution

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