



CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE
City Commission Agenda Memo
REGULAR MEETING

#18-0855

TO: Honorable Mayor & Members of the
Fort Lauderdale City Commission

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

DATE: September 25, 2018

TITLE: Quasi-Judicial Resolution to Approve a Drainage and Utility Easement
Vacation – Bear Traxx, LLC. Located at 1401 SW 1st Avenue - Case No.
E18013

Recommendation

It is recommended that the City Commission adopt a resolution vacating a 1,796- square-foot portion of a drainage and utility easement which is located adjacent to the subject property located at 1401 SW 1st Avenue.

Background

The proposed drainage and utility easement vacation application is part of a request to develop 1401 SW 1st Avenue, a new 112,365-square-foot self-storage building. The applicant proposes to vacate the drainage and utility easement dedicated to the City located along the north property line of Lot 1, Block 24, of the Croissant Park 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 July 10, 2018, and all comments have been addressed. The application and record are available for review upon request with the Department of Sustainable Development. The utility easement location map is attached as Exhibit 1. The application and the applicant's narrative responses to vacation of easement criteria are attached as Exhibit 2. The sketch and legal description is 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.

Pursuant to Section 47-24.7.A.4 of the City's Unified Land Development Regulations (ULDR), Vacation of Easement, the request is subject to the following criteria:

- a. The easement is no longer needed for public purposes; and,*
The easement is no longer needed for public purposes. There are no known

utilities within the easement.

- b. All utilities located within the easement have been or will be relocated pursuant to a relocation plan; and the owner of the utility facilities has consented to the vacation; or a portion of the easement area is maintained; or an easement in a different location has been provided by the utility facilities by the owner to the satisfaction of the city; or any combination of same;*
All required letters of no objection from the utility facilities and the City have been provided.

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

1. 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
2. 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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