



**CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE  
City Commission Agenda Memo  
REGULAR MEETING**

**#18-0962**

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

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

**DATE:** October 9, 2018

**TITLE:** Motion to Accept a Grant of up to \$218,553 from the Broward Boating  
Improvement Program (BBIP) for George English Park Boat Ramp  
Renovation Phase-II

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**Recommendation**

It is recommended that the City Commission approve the acceptance of a grant award from the Broward Boating Improvement Program (BBIP) for funding up to \$218,553 of Phase–II construction costs for the renovation of the George English Park Boat Ramps.

**Background**

Through the Broward Marine Advisory Committee, Broward County administers the Broward Boating Improvement Program (BBIP). BBIP provides funding assistance to local governments within the County to provide public access to area waterways through boat ramps and floating docks.

The Florida Department of Transportation recently replaced the Sunrise Boulevard Bridge which crosses the Middle River. The new bridge is higher and now provides larger vessel access to the George English Park Boat Ramps and an increase in the facility's use. The existing ramps are not designed for larger boat and trailer use and need to be renovated to meet area boater need. With this in mind, staff applied for and was awarded funding by the Florida Boating Improvement Program for Phase-I design and permitting of longer ramps and the addition of ADA accessible floating staging docks. Phase – I is complete and in October of 2017, Florida Inland Navigation District awarded funding assistance for Phase II construction.

Staff is requesting City Commission approval for the acceptance of a Grant award from the Broward Boating Improvement Program (BBIP) to assist with project costs up to \$218,553 for the renovation of the George English Park Boat Ramp. This Grant requires a City Match of \$218,553 which will be facilitated through the George English

Park Ramp Renovations Grant received from the Florida Inland Navigation District in October 2017.

### **Resource Impact**

The total project cost is estimated at \$843,000. There is a positive fiscal impact to the City in the amount of \$218,553. Funds are being appropriated contingent upon the approval of Consolidated Budget Amendment CAM #18-0530.

#### **Funding Request Type**

##### **Source:**

*Funds available as of September 9, 2018*

ACCOUNT NUMBER	INDEX NAME (Program)	CHARACTER CODE/ SUB-OBJECT NAME	AMENDED BUDGET (Character)	AVAILABLE BALANCE (Character)	AMOUNT
129-P12186.129C-F739	George English Boat Ramp FY 2018	Intergovernmental Revenue / County – BBIP Transportation	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$218,553
TOTAL AMOUNT →					\$218,553

##### **Use:**

ACCOUNT NUMBER	INDEX NAME (Program)	CHARACTER CODE/ SUB-OBJECT NAME	AMENDED BUDGET (Character)	AVAILABLE BALANCE (Character)	AMOUNT
129-P12186.129C-6599	George English Boat Ramp FY 2018	Capital Outlay / Construction	\$0	\$0	\$218,553
TOTAL AMOUNT →					\$218,553

### **Strategic Connections**

This grant application furthers the Public Places goals and objectives as is contained in Press Play Fort Lauderdale, Our City Our Strategic Plan 2018. Specifically:

- Goal 3: Be a community that finds opportunities and leverages partnerships to create unique, inviting, and connected gathering places that highlight our beaches, waterways, urban areas, and parks.
- Objective 1: Improve access to and enjoyment of our beach, Riverwalk, waterways, parks, and open spaces for everyone

### **Attachments**

Exhibit 1 – Grant Pre-application Form

Exhibit 2 – Agreement

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