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TO: Honorable Mayor & Members of the

Fort Lauderdale City Commission

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

DATE: November 6, 2018

TITLE: Motion Approving the Submittal of a Grant Application for \$6,000 to the

Florida Inland Navigation District – Small Scale Derelict Vessel Removal Program to Remove Sunken Derelict Vessel on the Intracoastal Waterway

Recommendation

It is recommended that the City Commission approve a motion authorizing the City Manager to submit an application for grant funding of \$6,000 to the Florida Inland Navigation District – Small Scale Derelict Vessel Removal program. This Grant requires a City match of \$2,000.

Background

The Florida Inland Navigation District (FIND) administers the Waterway Assistance Program (WAP) program. FIND provides funding assistance to local governments within the District to provide public access to area waterways through boat ramps and floating docks.

On September 14, 2018 the City of Fort Lauderdale Police Marine Unit deemed a 30 ft. abandon sailboat derelict, which had been an eyesore on the Tarpon River for several years. The vessel was recovered and disposed of by WestWay Towing and their Dive team on September 18, 2018 at a total cost to the City of \$8,000.

The Florida Inland Navigation District Small Scale Derelict Vessel Removal Program will fund up to 75%, or in this case \$6,000 of the costs needed to salvage and dispose of this derelict vessel. The remaining costs of \$2,000 to remove the vessel will be acquired from the Broward Boating Improvement Grant which was awarded to the City in 2014.

Resource Impact

There is no fiscal impact associated with the grant application. The Grant will be brought back to the City Commission for execution and appropriation if awarded.

Strategic Connections

This item is a *Press Play Fort Lauderdale Strategic Plan 2018 initiative*, included with in the Internal Support Cylinder of Excellence, specifically advancing:

- Goal12: Be a leading government organization, managing resources wisely and sustainably.
- Objective 1: Ensure sound fiscal management.

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

<u>Attachment</u>

Exhibit 1 – Grant Pre-application Form

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