



CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE
City Commission Agenda Memo
REGULAR MEETING

#18-1250

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

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

DATE: November 20, 2018

TITLE: Resolution in Support of Final Design and Construction of the Henry E.
Kinney Tunnel Top Park

Recommendation

It is recommended that the City Commission adopt a resolution in support of Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) to move forward into the final design and construction of Henry E. Kinney Tunnel Top Park.

Background

At the November 6, 2018 Conference Meeting, staff from the Transportation and Mobility Department and FDOT presented the current status and concepts for the Henry E. Kinney Tunnel Top Park (Exhibit 1). The structural analysis provided a 60-foot extension on the north side of Las Olas Boulevard to create an iconic park connecting downtown to the Las Olas Shopping District. Two concepts were proposed to include trees, turf lawn, shade structure, water features, decorative pavers, moveable seating elements, and possible public art components.

FDOT owns the property in which this project would be constructed and, therefore, has required that they manage this project in coordination with the Henry E. Kinney Tunnel Rehabilitation. The rehabilitation schedule is to finalize design in early 2020 and bid the construction of both the tunnel rehabilitation and the park to one contractor in the summer of 2020. In order to meet this schedule, FDOT has requested that the City provide funding through a local funding agreement (LFA) in December 2019. The final design engineering consultant would be procured by FDOT and City staff would be a reviewing stakeholder to take the project to final engineering design. City staff would facilitate workshops with local stakeholders to make sure the pavement materials, landscaping, and design of elements met the intent of the vision for this iconic park.

Resource Impact

There will be a fiscal impact to the City in the amount of \$450,000, from Park Impact Fees. Of this, \$187,000 is available and \$263,500 is contingent upon the approval of the companion Consolidated Budget Amendment CAM 18-1234.

| <i>Funds available as of November 15, 2018</i> | | | | | |
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| ACCOUNT NUMBER | INDEX NAME (Program) | CHARACTER CODE/ SUB-OBJECT NAME | AMENDED BUDGET (Character) | AVAILABLE BALANCE (Character) | AMOUNT |
| 350-P12058.350-6534 | Las Olas Tunnel Top Park | Capital Outlay/ Consultant Engineering Fees | \$566,070 | \$507,220 | \$450,000 |
| | | | PURCHASE TOTAL ► | | \$450,000 |

Strategic Connections

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

- Objective 1: Improve transportation options and reduce congestion by working with agency partners
- Objective 3: Improve pedestrian, bicycle, and vehicular safety

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

- Goal 1: Be a pedestrian friendly, multi-modal City
- Goal 3: Be a community that finds opportunities and leverages partnerships to create unique, inviting, and connected gathering places that highlight our beached, waterways, urban areas, and parks.

Related CAM

CAM 18-1234

Attachments

Exhibit 1 – Henry Kinney Presentation from November 6, 2018

Exhibit 2 – Resolution

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