



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

#19-0241

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

FROM: Chris Lagerbloom, ICMA-CM, City Manager

DATE: March 19, 2019

TITLE: Resolution to Approve a Highway Maintenance Memorandum of Agreement
with the Florida Department of Transportation for the Oakland Park
Boulevard Transit Corridor Project

Recommendation

It is recommended that the City Commission adopt a resolution approving a Highway Maintenance Memorandum of Agreement (HMMOA) for Middle River Drive from NE 26th Street to Oakland Park Boulevard, NE 32nd Street from NE 26th Avenue to NE 30th Avenue, NE 30th Avenue from Oakland Park Boulevard Access Road to NE 32nd Street, NE 33rd Avenue South from NE 30th Street to Oakland Park Boulevard Access Road, NE 30th Street from NE 33rd Avenue to North Atlantic Boulevard and North Atlantic Boulevard from NE 23rd Avenue to Oakland Park Boulevard, as part of the Oakland Park Transit Corridor project (FM# 429569.5).

Background

The City has jurisdiction over these roadway segments. Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) and the City agree to allow FDOT to construct certain improvements as a part of this project. The improvements include adding bike lanes on both sides of the roadways by widening, resurfacing and restriping. It also includes construction of sidewalks and installation of Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) compliant pedestrian ramps at intersections or adding shared lane markings. Sections 339.07, 339.08 and 339.12, Florida Statutes and Federal funding, authorizes FDOT to undertake projects within their geographical limits, via an agreement with a local agency partner.

On September 27, 2017, FDOT held a design meeting for all neighborhoods that would be impacted by this project to review the conceptual cross-sections and share updated project information.

There was a general consensus of support from the following neighborhoods:

- Coral Ridge – presented to the HOA Board on 9/27/17
- Coral Ridge Country Club Estates – received support via email
- Lauderdale Beach – conference call presentation with HOA Board on 10/09/17
- Central Beach Alliance – presented to the HOA Board on 10/26/17

On March 4, 2019, the City of Fort Lauderdale Transportation and Mobility Department staff met with business owners in the Galt Shoppes. The business owners expressed their support for the recommendation of installing rectangular rapid flashing beacons (RRFBs) on either side of the Oakland Park Boulevard Bridge underpass, to improve pedestrian safety. These requests were submitted to FDOT and they are researching whether these requests can be accommodated.

Construction is expected to begin in November 2020 and will be completed in approximately one year.

Resource Impact

There will be a fiscal impact to the City beginning in FY2027, in the estimated amount of \$16,464 for annual maintenance, beginning five years following construction.

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

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

Attachments

Exhibit 1 - Highway Maintenance Memorandum of Agreement

Exhibit 2 - Project Location Map

Exhibit 3 - Resolution

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