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**TO:** CRA Chairman & Board of Commissioners  
Fort Lauderdale Community Redevelopment Agency

**FROM:** Chris Lagerbloom, ICMA-CM, Executive Director

**DATE:** August 20, 2019

**TITLE:** Central Beach Master Plan Public Improvement Projects Update -  
**(Commission District 2)**

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The purpose of this memorandum is to provide updates on the Las Olas Boulevard Corridor Improvement Project, State Road ("SR") A1A Beach Streetscape Improvement Project, Las Olas Marina Expansion Project, DC Alexander Park Project, and Aquatics Center Renovation Project. There are thirteen (13) months remaining before the Beach Community Redevelopment Area ("CRA") sunsets on September 30, 2020.

**Las Olas Boulevard Corridor Improvement Project**

The Las Olas parking garage exterior hardscape is installed, with the contractor finalizing the installation of the landscaping. The final adjustments to the garage façade fins are ongoing. The electrical vehicle charging stations are installed. The artificial turf on the garage amenity deck, the digital parking sign and the smart board kiosk are all installed. The amenity deck light shields and glass railing are in fabrication. The garage façade lights were turned on June 12, 2019, display content was uploaded to the server, and the lights are operational.

The new garage trams were delivered and will be wrapped with graphics and ready for use to transport visitors from the Las Olas Parking Garage to the new Oceanside Park, once the park is complete (October 2019).

Phase II work is ongoing at the new Oceanside Park located at Las Olas Boulevard and SR A1A. The civil utility work within the park is complete, the water feature plumbing is installed, and site electrical conduit and light poles are being installed. Stucco work and interior buildout for the buildings is ongoing. The building electrical is roughed in, the HVAC is installed, and the insulation is installed. The shade canopy columns are poured, and the canopy roof will be poured by the end of August 2019. Fine site grading is underway and terrace steps and walls are formed and poured. The South Intracoastal Parking lot closed on April 22, 2019 and Phase II work at the new South Intracoastal Park is underway. Demolition work and tree relocations are complete. Concrete is poured underneath the bridge, and the fenced enclosure is being installed. Utility work

within the park has begun. The marina promenade curbs are poured, with the site electrical and the concrete pours following.

A total road closure on Las Olas Boulevard between Seabreeze Boulevard and State Road (SR) A1A was installed on April 9, 2019 to begin roadway improvements. The concrete roadway and curbs are poured between Seabreeze Boulevard and SR A1A. The inside intersection work at SR A1A was completed the week of August 5<sup>th</sup> and traffic was shifted. The inside intersection work at Las Olas Boulevard and Seabreeze Boulevard was completed the week of August 12<sup>th</sup> and traffic was shifted. Work is ongoing on the outside intersections. Bollards and electrical light pole bases are installed on the south side of Las Olas Boulevard and the subgrade is being prepped for sidewalk concrete pours. The roadway will open once the sidewalk work and intersection work is completed in September 2019.

### **SR A1A Beach Streetscape Improvement Project**

The design plans are at 100%. The design team submitted permits to the Florida Department of Transportation and the Florida Department of Environmental Protection for approval. Staff is targeting 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter 2019 to begin construction on this project.

Staff is compiling the bid documents and will advertise the project to procure a contractor.

### **Las Olas Marina Expansion Project**

The Las Olas Marina Expansion received final site plan approval at the July 9, 2019 Regular City Commission Meeting. The Las Olas Marina developers, Suntex Marina Developers LLC ("Suntex"), are now progressing with construction documents.

### **DC Alexander Park Project**

The drawing concepts and a design task order were approved by the CRA Board of Commissioners and the City Commission at both the July 9, 2019 CRA Board Meeting and Regular City Commission Meeting. The design team has begun working on schematic design based on the approved concepts.

### **Aquatics Center Renovation Project**

The site was closed to the public on April 16, 2019 to allow onsite mobilization. The auger cast test piles were successfully completed and light demolition has begun. The swimming statue was relocated onsite. Site electrical installation is ongoing and will allow Florida Power and Light (FPL) to decommission existing electrical vaults located on site. The decommissioning of these vaults is required to allow on site demolition activities to progress. Sheet pile installation will begin around the competition pool and the proposed dive pool, with dewatering activities following.

City Staff is exploring additional scope items for the project which include a 27-Meter Dive Tower, an Amenity Deck and Athlete Locker Room Renovations. Hensel Phelps is working on design concepts for the 27-Meter dive tower and pricing the concepts.

**Attachment**

**Exhibit 1 – Progress Photographs**

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