



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

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

**FROM:** Chris Lagerbloom, ICMA-CM, City Manager

**DATE:** January 21, 2020

**TITLE:** Tunnel Top Plaza, Follow-up Discussion - **(Commission District 4)**

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Following the last update to the City Commission on December 17, 2019, staff attended a stakeholder meeting on January 6, 2020 with the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) to review the scope and construction cost estimate of the Tunnel Top Plaza project. With the revised larger extension and connection to Laura Ward Plaza, the estimated construction cost is above the 2019 Parks Bond allocation of \$5 million. Many topics regarding the plaza were discussed, including the option to remove the architectural shade structures and landscaping from this project and install them through a separate process led by the City. FDOT has provided a revised cost estimate of \$10.65 million which includes the entire project, excluding the landscaping (\$960,000 estimate) and architectural shade structures (\$1-\$4 million estimate).

FDOT seeks direction on the approved funding for this project so that the scope of the project can be determined, and engineering design started immediately. The Parks, Recreation and Beaches Advisory Board will see this presentation on January 22, 2020 to review the proposed expenditure of Parks Bond funding.

As construction bidding for this project is not scheduled till early 2021, actual construction funding for this project will need to be transferred to FDOT in Fall 2020.

**Attachment**

Exhibit 1 – Updated Site Plan and Cost Estimate

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