



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

#20-0172

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

FROM: Chris Lagerbloom, ICMA-CM, City Manager

DATE: March 3, 2020

TITLE: Resolution Approving the Submittal of a Grant Application for \$140,000 to the Florida Inland Navigation District for Riverwalk Floating Docks Phase II Construction - **(Commission District 2)**

Recommendation

It is recommended that the City Commission approve a resolution authorizing the City Manager to submit an application for grant funding of \$140,000 to the Florida Inland Navigation District for Riverwalk Floating Docks Phase II Construction. This Grant requires a City match of \$140,000.

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.

In 2011, the City installed floating docks at four locations along the New River to increase access to the Riverwalk for small boats. The project was funded in part by FIND. The floating docks are very successful as they provide waterway access to the Riverwalk and downtown daily and for special events like The Sunday Jazz Brunch. The purpose of this project is to design and permit one additional floating dock along the Riverwalk increasing waterway access downtown. The dock will be added to the existing dock at Esplanade Park.

In 2017, the City applied for and was awarded a grant from the Florida Inland Navigation District for funding assistance to design and permit this project.

The grant application requires the submission of a Resolution indicating Commission approval of the submission of the application and a commitment of the grants matching funds.

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 of the \$140,000 grant match if awarded.

Strategic Connections

This item is a *Press Play Fort Lauderdale Strategic Plan 2024*, specifically advancing

- Public Places
- Goal 3
- Improve access to and enjoyment of our beach, waterways, parks and open spaces for everyone

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

Attachments

Exhibit 1 – Grant Pre-application Form

Exhibit 2 – Resolution

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