



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

#20-0376

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

FROM: Chris Lagerbloom, ICMA-CM, City Manager

DATE: May 19, 2020

TITLE: Motion Approving the Submittal of a Grant Application for \$11,869 to the
Florida Inland Navigation District – Small Scale Derelict Vessel Removal
Program to Remove Sunken Derelict Vessel on the Intracoastal Waterway
– **(Commission District 2)**

Recommendation

It is recommended that the City Commission approve a motion authorizing the City Manager to submit an application for grant funding of \$11,869 to the Florida Inland Navigation District – Small Scale Derelict Vessel Removal program. This Grant requires a City match of \$3,956.

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.

On January 27, 2020 the City of Fort Lauderdale Police Marine Unit deemed an abandoned 40-foot sailboat, which sank in the Intra-Coastal Waterway north of the Las Olas Blvd. Bridge, as abandoned and derelict. On March 16, 2020 Offshore Marine Towing salvaged the vessel and properly disposed of it at a total cost to the City of \$15,825.

The Florida Inland Navigation District Small Scale Derelict Vessel Removal Program will fund up to 75 percent, or in this case \$11,869.00 of the costs needed to salvage and dispose of this derelict vessel. The remaining costs of \$3,956 to remove the vessel will be acquired from the Broward Boating Improvement Grant which was awarded to the City in 2019.

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 if awarded.

Strategic Connections

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

- The Public Places Focus Area
- Goal 3: Build a health and engaging community
- 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*.

Attachment

Exhibit 1 – Grant Pre-application Form

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