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TO: Honorable Mayor & Members of the

Fort Lauderdale City Commission

FROM: Chris Lagerbloom, ICMA-CM, City Manager

DATE: November 17, 2020

TITLE: Motion Authorizing Execution of a Revocable License Agreement with MDM

Services, Inc. for the Installation and Maintenance of Monitoring Wells in the Public Right-of-Way Located Adjacent to 1100 NW 6th Street –

(Commission District 3)

Recommendation

Staff recommends the City Commission consider a motion authorizing the execution of a Revocable License Agreement (Revocable License) between MDM Services, Inc. and the City of Fort Lauderdale for the installation and maintenance of monitoring wells in the public right-of-way located adjacent to 1100 NW 6th Street.

Background

The subject property located at 1100 NW 6th Street has a history of petroleum contamination from a previous fuel station use and is currently undergoing contamination assessment and remediation under a program funded by the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP). The property is occupied by the NAACP and is owned by the Fort Lauderdale Community Redevelopment Agency. A Location Map is attached as Exhibit 1.

Due to a concentration of contamination at the north end of the property, it will be necessary to monitor the groundwater contamination levels beyond the property lines. Accordingly, MDM Services, Inc. ("MDM") has been retained by the FDEP to install monitoring wells immediately north of the property within the landscaping area of the Sistrunk Boulevard right-of-way. MDM is requesting approval of the Revocable License to authorize the installation of wells in the City's right-of-way. A graphic showing the Well Location is attached as Exhibit 2.

The wells consist of a 15-foot vertical plastic pipe in the ground (Construction Detail attached as Exhibit 3). A one-day or two-day pedestrian detour may be necessary during installation of the well. Impacts to pedestrian traffic are anticipated to be minimal during the periodic sampling since the well will be monitored by manual methods by personnel on foot; there are no large vehicles or mechanical equipment associated with the sampling operations. After installation, only a two-foot square concrete cap for the wells will be

visible at the ground surface. City staff will coordinate with MDM to minimize visual impacts to the pedestrian area.

The wells will remain in place until FDEP determines the petroleum discharge at the subject property has been rehabilitated. It is estimated that the monitoring of the site will take between one to three years. However, the term of the Revocable License is for three (3) years to allow for unanticipated impacts to the monitoring schedule.

This Revocable License requires the applicant to provide a bond as a guarantee that the public right-of-way will be fully restored to the satisfaction of the City. A copy of the Revocable License is attached as Exhibit 4.

Resource Impact

There is no fiscal impact to the City associated with this action.

Strategic Connections

This item supports the *Press Play Fort Lauderdale 2024* Strategic Plan, specifically advancing:

- The Public Places Focus Area
- Goal 3: Build a healthy and engaging community.
- Objective: Improve water quality for our natural environment

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

Attachments

Exhibit 1 – Location Map

Exhibit 2 – Well Location

Exhibit 3 – Construction Detail

Exhibit 4 – Revocable License

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