



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

**#21-0054**

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

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

**DATE:** January 21, 2021

**TITLE:** Resolution Approving the Second Amendment to and the Restatement of  
the Transportation System Surtax Interlocal Agreement- **(Commission  
Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)**

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**Recommendation**

Staff recommends that the City Commission adopt a resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute the Second Amendment to the 2018 Transportation Surtax Interlocal Agreement between the City of Fort Lauderdale and Broward County, in substantially the form attached (Exhibit 1).

**Background**

In November 2018, residents of Broward County approved a local one-cent, 30-year surtax to increase mobility and address transportation challenges in Broward County. The allocated tax revenue, which took effect on January 1, 2019, is estimated to receive approximately \$15.6 billion over the 30-year duration. The City of Fort Lauderdale was awarded a total of \$11.6 million for new construction and repair and maintenance projects in Cycle One.

On September 25, 2018, the City Commission adopted Resolution No. 18-200 to approve an Interlocal Agreement with Broward County for the proposed Transportation System Surtax. The First Amendment to the 2018 Interlocal Agreement was established by the City Commission on July 9, 2019. The First Amendment established the Broward Metropolitan Planning Organization's (MPO) evaluation and ranking of municipal capital projects; the County's evaluation; and County's ranking of municipal rehabilitation and maintenance projects.

The proposed Second Amendment will incorporate the following changes to the original agreement:

- Memorialize the completion of the first cycle of evaluating, ranking, allocation of municipal capital projects;
- Set the criteria going forward for evaluating, ranking, recommending funding, and adjusting funding for municipal capital projects in future five-year capital improvement plans;
- Incorporating language related to the Municipal Minimum Annual Guarantee

funding requirement and that funding for new municipal projects may not be available until FY2027;

- Require the City of Fort Lauderdale to waive any permit requirements and related fees for any project funded by Transportation Surtax proceeds;
- Remove MPO conflict of interest clause prohibiting the City to utilize MPO services for any Surtax funded project. Proposed conflict of interest clause is anticipated to be added to the upcoming project funding agreements.
- Require the City to provide data on all road closures, within the City, to the County in a format prescribed by the County.

Without approval of the Second Amendment, the City of Fort Lauderdale will not be eligible to receive Transportation Surtax funding for current or potential future projects. The Second Amendment will not be effective until a majority of municipalities, representing more than 50% of the population of Broward County, approve and execute the amendment.

Cycle One Surtax projects will be funded after the Second Amendment to the Transportation System Surtax is completed and the City enters into project specific local funding agreements with the County. The City of Fort Lauderdale Surtax projects are currently on-hold pending the completion of these agreements.

### **Resource Impact**

There is no fiscal impact associated with this action.

### **Strategic Connections**

This item is a *2020 Top Commission Priority*, advancing the Transportation and Traffic initiative.

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

- Infrastructure Focus Area
- Goal 2 - Build a multi-modal and pedestrian friendly community.
- Objective - Improve roads, sidewalks, and trails to prioritize a safer, more walkable and bikeable community

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

### **Attachments**

Exhibit 1 - Second Amendment to the Transportation System Surtax Interlocal Agreement

Exhibit 2 - 2018 Transportation System Interlocal Agreement

Exhibit 3 - Resolution

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