



CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE
City Commission Agenda Memo
REGULAR MEETING

#21-0159

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

FROM: Chris Lagerbloom, ICMA-CM, City Manager

DATE: February 16, 2021

TITLE: Resolution Approving the Design, Installation and Maintenance of Signal Control Box Wraps and Execution of a Community Aesthetic Feature Agreement with the Florida Department of Transportation for Signal Control Box Wrap Projects along East Sunrise Boulevard, North Federal Highway, and Dixie Highway within FDOT Right-of-Way - **(Commission Districts 1, 2 and 3)**

Recommendation

Staff recommends the City Commission adopt a resolution approving the design, installation, and maintenance of signal control box wraps along East Sunrise Boulevard, North Federal Highway, and Dixie Highway within FDOT Rights-of-Way and Execution of a Community Aesthetic Feature Agreement with the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT), in substantially the form attached, for Signal Control Box Wrap Projects.

Background

In 2015, the City of Fort Lauderdale initiated a program to beautify the City by transforming traffic control boxes into pieces of art. Over the past six years, the Transportation and Mobility department has wrapped a total of 30 boxes in four neighborhoods. The program allows the City to work with local stakeholders, including our neighbors, businesses, non-profits, and local artists to engage the community through art. Additionally, the program focuses on embracing the unique characteristics of each neighborhood.

City staff has identified sixteen (16) boxes to be wrapped throughout the City in fiscal year 2021; including five box locations along Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) owned roadways. To wrap the utility boxes, FDOT has special conditions the City must comply. One of the conditions includes a requirement for the City to enter into a community aesthetic feature agreement which commits the City to take financial responsibility for the design, fabrication, installation, and maintenance of the art-wraps on the utility boxes.

City staff has worked closely with neighborhood civic associations to tailor the context and character of each location. Broward County has reviewed and approved the locations and artwork for the proposed utility box wraps on FDOT owned roadways. The

Transportation and Mobility Department will be responsible for the ongoing maintenance of the box wraps.

Resource Impact

There is no fiscal impact associated with this action.

Strategic Connections

This item is a 2020 Top Commission Priority, advancing the Infrastructure initiative.

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

- The Public Places Focus Area
- Goal 3: Build a healthy and engaging community.
- Objective: Enhance the City's identity through public art, well-maintained green spaces, and streetscapes

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

Attachments

Exhibit 1 – Community Aesthetic Feature Agreement

Exhibit 2 – Proposed Wrap Locations and Designs

Exhibit 3 – Resolution

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