



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

#21-0161

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 Submittal of a Grant Application to the Florida
Inland Navigation District for Riverwalk Floating Docks Phase II
Construction - **(Commission District 2)**

Recommendation

Staff recommends the City Commission approve a resolution authorizing the City Manager to submit an application for grant funding of \$230,000 to the Florida Inland Navigation District (FIND) for Riverwalk Floating Docks Phase II Construction. This grant requires a City Match of \$230,000

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 the District's waterways.

In 2011, the City installed floating docks at four (4) locations along the New River to increase public 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 the project is to construct one additional floating dock along the Riverwalk increasing waterway access downtown. The dock will be added to the existing floating dock at the Esplanade Park.

In 2017, the City applied for and was awarded a grant from FIND for funding assistance for Phase I Design and Permitting. (CAM 17-1379)

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 \$230,000 grant match 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 healthy and engaging community
- Objective: 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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