

RESOLUTION NO. 21-24

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA, REAFFIRMING SUPPORT OF THE GRANT APPLICATIONS SUBMITTED TO THE BROWARD METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION, UNDER THE NEW TERMS AND CONDITIONS, FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF THE COMPLETE STREETS PROJECTS ON NE 26TH STREET AND NE 15TH AVENUE, AND FOR FUNDING OF UP TO THREE MILLION DOLLARS PER PROJECT; AUTHORIZING THE PROPER CITY OFFICIALS TO EXECUTE THE GRANT APPLICATIONS; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY, AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Broward Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) is providing grant funding to local governments for complete streets, traffic calming, intersection improvements, and other related projects, through its Complete Streets and Other Localized Initiatives Program (CSLIP); and

WHEREAS, applications will be evaluated and ranked by the MPO, then vetted by the MPO and the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) to determine programmability in accordance with CSLIP policies; and

WHEREAS, since the time of application, the conditions of the CSLIP grant have changed; and

WHEREAS, federally funded projects off the state highway system are now being delivered using the federally mandated Local Agency Program (LAP) process; and

WHEREAS, if awarded, the City of Fort Lauderdale (City) acknowledges that the project will need to be delivered through the FDOT Local Agency Program (LAP); and

WHEREAS, the LAP program is a reimbursement-based grant program; and

WHEREAS, LAP requires the local municipalities to manage the delivery of the project through design and construction in compliance with all regulations of the program; and

WHEREAS, LAP requires that the City provide funding for any contingency costs that may arise during construction in the amount of 20% of the construction cost estimate in the year of construction; and

WHEREAS, the MPO requires affirmation of support by the City Commission of the City of Fort Lauderdale for application submissions as to these new terms and conditions; and

WHEREAS, the projects will aid in the realization of the "*We Are Connected*" goal of the Fast Forward Fort Lauderdale Vision, by improving transportation options including bike lanes and improved pedestrian accommodations; and

WHEREAS, the proposed projects are in compliance with the City's Complete Streets Policy by adding accommodations for bicyclists and pedestrians, where there are currently none, and improving the safety of all users through implementation of traffic calming; and

WHEREAS, the proposed projects implement the Connecting the Blocks Program by increasing connectivity for multiple modes of transportation; and

WHEREAS, the proposed projects are consistent with the City's Vision Zero Initiative of creating safer streets for walking, biking, driving, and utilizing public transportation; and

WHEREAS, these projects have been identified by the affected neighborhood associations as priority projects and the associations have provided support of these projects and the application for grant funds; and

WHEREAS, the City of Fort Lauderdale submitted grant applications to the MPO in order to obtain funding to implement the two projects located at NE 15th Avenue between Sunrise Blvd. and the South Fork of the Middle River within Lake Ridge and Poinsettia Heights and NE 26th Street between US1 and Bayview Drive in Coral Ridge; and

WHEREAS, the projects will be constructed within the existing City's rights of way; and

WHEREAS, if the grant is awarded and accepted, the City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida will maintain or coordinate the maintenance of the city roadways after the project's completion;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA:

SECTION 1. That the City Commission of the City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, does hereby reaffirm the submission of the grant applications to the Broward Metropolitan Planning Organization, under the new terms and conditions, for implementation of the Complete Streets Projects on NE 26th Street and NE 15th Avenue, and for funding of up to three million dollars (\$3,000,000) per project for its Complete Streets and Other Localized Initiatives Program.

SECTION 2. That the proper city officials are hereby authorized to execute the grant applications to the Broward Metropolitan Planning Organization, under the new terms and conditions, for implementation of the Complete Streets Projects on NE 26th Street and NE 15th Avenue, and for funding of up to three million dollars (\$3,000,000) per project for its Complete Streets and Other Localized Initiatives Program.

SECTION 3. That if any clause, section or other part of this Resolution shall be held invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder of this Resolution shall not be affected thereby but shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 4. That all resolutions or parts of resolutions in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

SECTION 5. That this Resolution shall be in full force and effect upon final passage.

ADOPTED this 2nd day of February, 2021.


Mayor
DEAN J. TRANTALIS

ATTEST:



City Clerk
JEFFREY A. MODARELLI