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TO: Honorable Mayor & Members of the

Fort Lauderdale City Commission

FROM: Chris Lagerbloom, ICMA-CM, City Manager

DATE: May 18, 2021

TITLE: Motion Authorizing Execution of a Revocable License with D.R. Horton,

Inc. for Temporary Right-of-Way Closures on NW 6th Avenue, NW 17th Street, and NW 3rd Avenue in Association with the Gardenia Park

Development Located at 351 NW 17th Street – (Commission District 2)

Recommendation

Staff recommends the City Commission consider approving a motion authorizing the execution of a Revocable License with D.R. Horton, Inc. for the temporary Right-of-Way closures on NW 6th Avenue, NW 17th Street, and NW 3rd Avenue contiguous to the Gardenia Park development.

Background

The subject project consists of 46 2-story townhouse units and 262 on-site ground level parking spaces. The site plan received City approval in February 2020 (DRC Case #R19007). The temporary right-of-way closure timeframe for the three construction phases is expected to be 15 weeks. On-site construction is currently in progress and the developer is ready to proceed with construction of the off-site improvements within City right-of-way, subject to the approval of this Revocable License and Maintenance of Traffic (MOT) permit. The "Location Map" is attached as Exhibit 1.

The developer has provided adjacent property owners with an information package, and consent form to indicate if there are any objections to the closure. This information was sent via USPS certified mail on April 9, 2021. A copy of the outreach package is provided in "Property Owner Outreach", attached as Exhibit 2. The developer has indicated that no property owner responses were received as of May 7, 2021.

The proposed closures are being requested as a safety measure for pedestrians and motorists due to the limitations of the site and proximity of construction to the right-of-way. The proposed closures are summarized in the table below and graphically shown in the "License Area", attached as Exhibit 3 and the "Detour Plan", attached as Exhibit 4. A copy of the "Revocable License" is attached as Exhibit 5.

LICENSE AREA CLOSURES										
License Area	Location	Duration	Exist R/W Width	Exist S/W	Description					
1	NW 6 th Ave	5 Weeks	50'	N/A	Variable 25'-50' width, approximately 150' along site frontage – continuous closure of northbound or both travel lanes and adjacent swale areas, detour required (see Detour Plan)					
2	NW 17 th St	12 Weeks	48' & Varies	N/A	Variable width up to 25', from property line into R/W, along entire site frontage – continuous closure of adjacent westbound travel lane and swale area, detour required (see Detour Plan)					
3	NW 3 rd Ave	2 Weeks	50' & Varies	N/A	Variable width up to 35', from property line into R/W – continuous closure of adjacent west half of cul-de-sac and swale area, detour required (see Detour Plan)					

License Area	Phase	Duration of Project (Weeks)														
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
1	1															
2	2															
3	3															

The proposed MOT plan is not anticipated to present any conflicts with other construction projects in this area. The Revocable License provides the City Manager with the ability to extend the term of this closure up to two (2) 30-day periods, if necessary.

Resource Impact

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

Strategic Connections

This item is a 2021 Commission Priority, advancing the Smart Growth initiative.

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

- The 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 2035 Vision Plan: We Are Connected.

Attachments

Exhibit 1 – Location Map

Exhibit 2 – Property Owner Outreach

Exhibit 3 – License Area

Exhibit 4 – Detour Plan

Exhibit 5 – Revocable License

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