#21-0491

**TO**: Honorable Mayor & Members of the

Fort Lauderdale City Commission

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

**DATE**: June 1, 2021

**TITLE**: Motion Approving Funding Contribution for Design of Shared Use Paths

on Cypress Creek Road - (Commission District 1)

# Recommendation

Staff recommends the City Commission approve a motion to contribute design funding toward the implementation of shared use paths along Cypress Creek Road from Powerline Road to NE 9<sup>th</sup> Avenue, in substantially the form attached, and authorize the City Manager to execute the agreement.

### **Background**

Currently, two major transportation projects in the Cypress Creek Road and Interstate 95 area are in the design stages. One project involves the redesign of the I-95 interchange and the other project aims to improve multimodal access to the Cypress Creek Tri-Rail Station.

During the project scoping, there was a discussion between the project partners of the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT), Broward County, Broward Metropolitan Planning Organization (BMPO) and the City of Fort Lauderdale regarding proposed bicycle facilities. Involved parties agreed that the most beneficial bike facility for Cypress Creek Road would be a separated shared use path instead of on-street bike lanes, due to the speed and volume of vehicles.

The BMPO and FDOT will fund the construction cost of proposed projects; however, the design costs will be funded by local agencies. Broward County is contributing \$89,000 and have requested that the City contribute \$10,000 towards the design of proposed mobility improvement within the City of Fort Lauderdale.

The project is currently being designed and staff anticipates completion of design will be in the Summer of 2022. Construction would begin in early 2024. Schedule is subject to change.

# Resource Impact

There will be a fiscal impact to the City's Transportation and Mobility budget of \$10,000.

| Funds available as of May 4, 2021 |                         |  |                                  |                                     |          |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------------|--|----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|----------|
| ACCOUNT NUMBER                    | INDEX NAME<br>(Program) | CHARACTER CODE/<br>SUB-OBJECT NAME                   | AMENDED<br>BUDGET<br>(Character) | AVAILABLE<br>BALANCE<br>(Character) | AMOUNT   |
| 001-TAM040101-4299                | TRANSPORTATION PLANNING | OTHER OPERATING<br>EXPENSES / OTHER<br>CONTRIBUTIONS | \$463,315                        | \$174,597                           | \$10,000 |
| APPROPRIATION TOTAL               |                         |  |                                  | \$10,000                            |          |

# **Strategic Connections**

This item is a Top 2021 Commission Priority, advancing the Transportation and Traffic 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 transportation options and reduce congestion by working with partners
- 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 – Interlocal Agreement

Exhibit 2 – Map

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