



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

**#21-0533**

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

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

**DATE:** June 1, 2021

**TITLE:** Motion Authorizing the City Manager to Execute a First Amendment to the Agreement with the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) Accepting a Grant of \$50,000 for Hortt Park Playground, Changing the Agreement to a Retroactive Project - **(Commission District 4)**

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**Recommendation**

Staff recommends that the City Commission approve a motion authorizing the City Manager to execute a first amendment to the agreement with the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) accepting a grant of \$50,000 for Hortt Park Playground, to change the agreement to a Retroactive Project agreement.

**Background**

On March 2, 2021, the City Commission approved an agreement with FDEP to accept a grant from Florida Recreation Development Assistance Program (FRDAP) to assist in funding the project cost for the development of a new playground at Hortt Park, in the amount of \$50,000. The original agreement was a Non-Retroactive Project Agreement. The City received approval from FRDAP to change the agreement to a Retroactive Project. Amendment No. 1 to the agreement is attached as Exhibit 2.

The Florida Division of State Land administers Land and Recreation grants to local governments through the Florida Recreation Development Assistance Program. FRDAP provides funding assistance for acquisition or development of land for public outdoor recreation.

The development of the Hortt Park playground will benefit the community significantly by providing opportunities for the City's neighbors and visitors to engage in public outdoor recreational activities through the development of a new playground and multipurpose platform play structure.

**Resource Impact**

Funding for this item was approved on the March 2, 2021 Commission Agenda (CAM 21-0196) and on the Consolidated Budget Amendment CAM 21-0092.

### **Strategic Connections**

This item is a 2021 Top Commission Priority, advancing the Parks and Public Places initiative.

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
- 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 Agreement Number A1123

Exhibit 2 – Amendment No. 1 to Agreement No. A1123

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