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TO: Honorable Mayor & Members of the

Fort Lauderdale City Commission

FROM: Chris Lagerbloom, ICMA-CM, City Manager

DATE: July 6, 2021

TITLE: Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Execute a Florida Department

of Transportation Easement over City-owned Property located at 500

Seabreeze Boulevard - (Commission District 2)

Recommendation

Staff recommends the City Commission adopt a resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute notice of intent to convey a portion of the property owned by the City of Fort Lauderdale at 500 Seabreeze Boulevard to the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) in accordance with Section 8.02 of the City Charter.

Background

The Parks and Recreation Department is enhancing the existing DC Alexander Park which is located at 500 Seabreeze Boulevard. The enhancements are part of the DC Alexander Park Improvement Project which has completed the design and is currently in the permitting phase. Part of the improvements for DC Alexander Park include eliminating the existing driveways connections on State Road A1A and converting SE 5th Street from a 1-way road to a 2-way road. A FDOT Access Permit was required for these activities. It was uncovered during the FDOT permitting process that corner chords are required at the intersection of SE 5th Street and SR A1A and Seabreeze Boulevard, and the FDOT Right-of-Way on Seabreeze Boulevard would need to expand to comply with the Broward County Trafficways Plan. As a result, the City is required to convey this portion of the property to FDOT. To resolve these conflicts, the City in consultation with FDOT recommends providing an easement as shown in Exhibit 1.

Resource Impact

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

Strategic Connections

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

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 United.

This item supports the Advance Fort Lauderdale 2040 Comprehensive Plan specifically advancing:

- The Public Places Focus Area
- The Parks, Recreation & Open Spaces Element
- Goal 2: Be a community with high quality parks and recreational facilities that highlight the character of our City.

Attachments

Exhibit 1 – CHORD Sketch and Legal Description

Exhibit 2 – FDOT Sketch and Legal Description

Exhibit 3 – Resolution

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