



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

#21-0999

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

FROM: Chris Lagerbloom, ICMA-CM, City Manager

DATE: November 16, 2021

TITLE: Motion Authorizing the Execution of two Sovereignty Submerged Lands Easements with the Board of Trustees of the Internal Improvement Trust Fund of the State of Florida – South Redundant Sewer Force Main –
(Commission District 4)

Recommendation

Staff recommends City Commission approve the execution of two Sovereignty Submerged Lands Easements with the Board of Trustees of the Internal Improvement Trust Fund of the State of Florida (State of Florida) for the purposes of acquiring the use of sovereignty lands solely for the installation of a subaqueous sewer force main crossing off the Tarpon River and New River along SE 9th Ave.

Background

After numerous breaks to the City's primary sewer force main in December 2019, the City published a competitive solicitation titled "Emergency Procurement Proposal No. 12367-496 Design/Build Installation of New Redundant Bypass Line" to install new force main from Station B-Repump to George T. Lohmeyer Regional Wastewater Treatment Plant on December 23, 2019. Due to the emergency nature of this project FDEP permits were issued for the construction of the New Redundant Bypass under Tarpon River (FDEP Permit No. 06-383951-001-EI, attached as Exhibit 1) and New River (FDEP Permit No. 06-384624-001-EI, attached as Exhibit 2). As a condition of this permit two Sovereignty Submerged Lands Easements are required.

The proposed Sovereignty Submerged Lands Easements with the State of Florida are necessary for the maintenance of the section of force main across the Tarpon River and New River. Attached as Exhibits 3 and 4 are the Tarpon River and New River Sovereignty Submerged Lands Easements from the State of Florida, respectively.

Resource Impact

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

Strategic Connections

This item is a 2021 Top Commission Priority, advancing Waterway Quality.

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

- The Infrastructure Focus Area
- Goal 1: Be a sustainable and resilient community.
- Objective: Proactively maintain our water, wastewater, stormwater, road, and bridge infrastructure.

This item advances the Fast Forward Fort Lauderdale 2035 Vision Plan: We are Ready

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

- The Infrastructure Focus Area
- The Sanitary Sewer, Water & Stormwater Element
- Goal 3: Develop and maintain an adequate wastewater collection and treatment system, which meets existing and projected needs of the City and adjacent users in the Central Wastewater Region.

Attachments

Exhibit 1 – Tarpon River FDEP Permit No. 06-383951-001-EI

Exhibit 2 – New River FDEP Permit No. 06-384624-001-EI

Exhibit 3 – Tarpon River Sovereignty Submerged Lands Easement

Exhibit 4 – New River Sovereignty Submerged Lands Easement

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