



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

**FROM:** Rickelle Williams, City Manager

**DATE:** July 2, 2026

**TITLE:** Resolution Approving a Twenty-Second Amendment to the Landscape Maintenance Memorandum of Agreement for State Road A1A with the Florida Department of Transportation for Landscape Improvements within the Right-of-Way of State Road A1A and Assumption of Liability and Hold Harmless Agreement with Broward County - (**Commission District 4**)

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**Recommendation**

Staff recommends the City Commission adopt a resolution approving and authorizing the execution of an amendment to the Landscape Maintenance Memorandum of Agreement for a portion of State Road A1A (SE 17 Street) between Mile Post 0.765 to Mile Post 1.078, and a portion of State Road A1A (Grand Drive) between Mile Post 0.000 to Mile Post 0.187 with the Florida Department of Transportation for improvements within the right-of-way of State Road A1A, and Assumption of Liability and Hold Harmless Agreement with the Broward County Board of Commissioners in substantially the form attached.

**Background**

The City of Fort Lauderdale seeks to amend a Landscape Maintenance Memorandum of Agreement (MMA) with the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) for purposes of maintaining the landscape improvements within the right-of-way on State Road A1A, as shown on the location map (Exhibit 3). The MMA includes provisions allowing the City to construct landscape improvements or to modify improvements on State Road A1A, in accordance with the plans attached to the agreement.

The Broward County Board of County Commissioners (County) desires to assume responsibility for modifying, constructing and maintaining the landscape improvements within the portion of right-of-way associated with the Convention Center Expansion project. The proposed amended MMA will allow the County to install landscape improvements within the right-of-way which serve to enhance area aesthetics and augment the substantial investment made by the County to improve its property in the vicinity of the Convention Center.

Given the existing MMOA, FDOT requested that the City act as the intermediary between the County and FDOT for the purpose of executing a landscape maintenance agreement. If approved, the City will amend the current MMOA with FDOT and the City will subsequently enter into an Assumption of Liability and Hold Harmless Agreement with the County to enable the County to improve and maintain the landscape improvements, at the County's sole expense.

The Assumption of Liability and Hold Harmless Agreement between the City and the County will transfer responsibility associated with the MMOA to the County, or its successors or assigns, to construct and maintain the improvements installed by them within FDOT right of way in accordance with the agreement at no cost to the City.

The Assumption of Liability and Hold Harmless Agreement and MMOA shall remain in full effect until terminated by mutual agreement between the City, FDOT and the County, or their successors, or by the removal of all landscape improvements included in the MMOA.

### **Resource Impact**

There is no fiscal impact associated with this action.

### **Strategic Connections**

This item supports the *Press Play Fort Lauderdale 2029* Strategic Plan, specifically advancing:

- The Public Places Area, Goal: Build a beautiful and welcoming community

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

### **Attachments**

Exhibit 1 – Landscape Inclusive Maintenance Memorandum of Agreement

Exhibit 2 – Assumption of Liability and Hold Harmless Agreement

Exhibit 3 – Location Map

Exhibit 4 – Resolution

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