



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

#26-0417

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

FROM: Rickelle Williams, City Manager

DATE: July 2, 2026

TITLE: Resolution Approving a Landscape Maintenance Memorandum of Agreement for State Road 845 (Powerline Road) with the Florida Department of Transportation for Landscape Improvements within the Right-of-Way of State Road 845 and Assumption of Liability and Hold Harmless Agreement with Gala Home LLC - (**Commission District 1**)

Recommendation

Staff recommends the City Commission adopt a resolution approving and authorizing the execution of a Landscape Maintenance Memorandum of Agreement for State Road 845 (Powerline Road) with the Florida Department of Transportation for improvements within the right-of-way of State Road 845 between Mile Post 3.772 to Mile Post 3.802, and Assumption of Liability and Hold Harmless Agreement with Gala Home LLC, in substantially the form attached.

Background

The City of Fort Lauderdale seeks to enter into a Landscape Maintenance Memorandum of Agreement (MMA) with the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) for the purpose of the City maintaining the landscape improvements within the right-of-way on Powerline Road. The MMA includes provisions allowing the City to construct landscape improvements or to modify an improvement on Powerline Road in accordance with the plans attached as Exhibits "A" and "B" to the agreement.

Gala Home LLC is proposing to redevelop existing commercial real estate adjacent to the subject right-of-way for the purpose of establishing a new business. The landscape improvements within the right-of-way serve to enhance area aesthetics and augment the investment made by Gala Home LLC to improve its property. Gala Home LLC desires to assume responsibility for modifying, constructing and maintaining landscape improvements within the right-of-way.

As FDOT cannot directly enter into such a maintenance agreement with private property owners, if approved, the City will enter into this MMA with FDOT. The City will subsequently enter into an Assumption of Liability and Hold Harmless Agreement with Gala Home LLC. This will enable Gala Home LLC to improve and maintain the landscape

improvements, at its sole expense. The Assumption of Liability and Hold Harmless Agreement between the City and Gala Home LLC will transfer responsibility associated with the MMOA to Gala Home LLC, 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 Gala Home LLC, or their successors, or by the removal of all landscape improvements included in the MMOA.

Resource Impact

There is no fiscal impact with this item.

Strategic Connections

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

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

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

Attachments

- Exhibit 1 – Landscape Maintenance Memorandum of Agreement
- Exhibit 2 – Assumption of Liability and Hold Harmless Agreement
- Exhibit 3 – Project Location Map
- Exhibit 4 – Resolution

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