



CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE
City Commission Agenda Memo
REGULAR MEETING

#26-0707

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

FROM: Christopher Cooper, Acting City Manager

DATE: August 18, 2026

TITLE: Motion Authorizing Acceptance of Grant Funds and the City Manager's
Execution of a Subgrant Agreement from Greater Miami Sports Commission,
Inc. - \$1,591,158.97 - **(Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)**

Recommendation

Staff recommends that the City Commission approve the acceptance of grant funds from the Greater Miami Sports Commission, Inc. (GMSC) in the amount of \$1,591,158.97; and the City Manager's execution of all necessary documents required to accept the funds.

Background

The U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS) has provided financial assistance to municipalities via the FIFA World Cup Grant Program (FWCGP) to enhance security and preparedness for the 2026 FIFA World Cup events in the United States (U.S.). The program addresses significant security challenges, with all 78 U.S. based matches designated as Special Event Assessment Rating (SEAR) I and II events, building on historical federal support for major events like the Olympics. The FWCGP funding is passed through the State of Florida, Division of Emergency Management (FDEM), the State Administrative Agency, to the FIFA World Cup Grant Program Miami Planning Committee for the State of Florida to the Miami Host City Committee Task Force through the Greater Miami Sports Commission, Inc. for subaward to eligible entities.

Beginning June 13th through July 19th, 2026, the Fort Lauderdale Police Department (FLPD) provided security, official escorts and response to emergent incidents for multiple World Cup participating teams that were staying at hotels within the City and training at Inter Miami Stadium. The City of Fort Lauderdale has received a sub-grant in the amount of \$1,591,158.97 which will be used to offset the overtime salary costs incurred by public safety personnel to provide security for the World Cup teams, their staff and the public during game/team-related events.

During the City Commission's 2026 summer recess, GMSC provided a subgrant agreement for execution, which was required to be executed and returned to GMSC by August 7th. To remain in compliance, the City Manager has executed the agreement and submitted it to GMSC in order to secure the proposed funding. City Commission approval will authorize the City to accept the grant funds and ratify the execution of the subgrant agreement by the City Manager.

The City incurred approximately \$1.87M in costs associated with the FIFA World Cup. In an attempt to recover the full cost incurred, a second grant application has been submitted for supplemental funding under the FIFA Miami State and Local Public Safety Grant Program.

Resource Impact

There is a positive fiscal impact to the City in the amount of \$1,591,158.97. This item is contingent upon the approval of the Consolidated Budget Amendment CAM 26-0697.

Source:

Funds available as of July 31, 2026					
ACCOUNT NUMBER	COST CENTER NAME	CHARACTER CODE/ ACCOUNT NAME	AMENDED BUDGET (Character)	AVAILABLE BALANCE (Character)	AMOUNT
10-129-9300-521-331-206-26GFIFA	FY 2026 FIFA WORLD CUP SECURITY PROGRAM	DHS - FEMA	N/A	N/A	\$1,591,158.97
TOTAL AMOUNT →					\$1,591,158.97

Use:

ACCOUNT NUMBER	COST CENTER NAME	CHARACTER CODE/ ACCOUNT NAME	AMENDED BUDGET (Character)	AVAILABLE BALANCE (Character)	AMOUNT
10-129-9300-521-40-4352-26GFIFA	FY 2026 FIFA WORLD CUP SECURITY PROGRAM	Other Oper Exp/ servchg - Police	\$0	\$0	\$1,591,158.97
TOTAL AMOUNT →					\$1,591,158.97

Strategic Connections

This item is a *2026 Commission* Priority, advancing the Public Safety initiative.

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

- The Public Safety Focus Area, Goal 1: Be a safe community that is proactive and responsive to risks.

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

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

- The Public Safety Focus Area
- The Coastal Management, Community Health and Safety Element
- Goal 4: Coordinate with related partners and agencies (at city, local, county, regional, state, and federal levels) to plan for disaster and emergency management, further the resiliency of coastal areas, and ensure city-wide community health and safety.

Related CAM
CAM #26-0697

Attachments

Exhibit 1 - Greater Miami Sports Commission, Inc Award Notification Letter

Exhibit 2 - Signed Greater Miami Sports Commission, Inc Grant Agreement

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