



CITY OF  
**FORT LAUDERDALE**



June 27, 2022

Ralph Stone, Director  
Housing Finance and Community Redevelopment Division  
110 NE Third Street, Suite 300  
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301

**RE: (BRP) Interlocal Agreement Extension Request for the NE 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
Complete Street Project (CIP No. 12557)**

Dear Mr. Stone,

The City of Fort Lauderdale and the Fort Lauderdale Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA) is seeking to extend the term of the NE 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue Complete Streets Project Redevelopment Grant to December 24, 2024. Currently it is set to expire on December 31, 2022.

On December 30, 2019, the City and the CRA entered into an interlocal agreement with Broward County for a \$ 1 million grant for transportation and streetscape improvements of NE 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue between Sunrise Boulevard and NE 13<sup>th</sup> Street, in accordance with Broward County's Complete Streets Program Design.

The final design was submitted to the Florida Department of Transportation permit review process. The solicitation of a construction company to commence the work will commence upon permit approval.

The extension will enable the completion of this project. It will also comply with the public purpose of removing blighting conditions in the Central City CRA area, as well as further the City's Vision of becoming a connected and multimodal community.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact MacKendy Philippi, Project Manager II, at (954) 828-3707 or email at [Mphilippi@fortlauderdale.gov](mailto:Mphilippi@fortlauderdale.gov).

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Chris Lagerbloom, ICMA-CM  
City Manager



CC:

Monica Cepero, County Administrator  
Annika E. Ashton, Deputy County Attorney  
Lynn Solomon, Assistant City Attorney  
Clarence Woods, Community Redevelopment Manager  
Ben Rogers, Director Transportation and Mobility Department  
MacKendy Philippi, Project Manager II, Transportation and Mobility Department



## **BROWARD REDEVELOPMENT PROGRAM (BRP) – PROJECT PROGRESS REPORT #5**

### **RE: NE 4<sup>TH</sup> AVENUE COMPLETE STREETS PROJECT (PROJECT #12557)**

JUNE 29, 2022

Project Awarded by Broward County: March 5, 2019

City of Fort Lauderdale Community Investment Plan (CIP): Project #12557

**PROJECT GOAL:** Implement the City Vision Plan to create a Connected Community for all users by creating a pedestrian friendly corridor to improve safety, promote economic development, foster a green environment and healthier community.

**SCOPE OF PROJECT:** The NE 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue Complete Streets Project limits are within the NE 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue right-of-way between Sunrise Boulevard and NE 13<sup>th</sup> Street. The intent is to widen the sidewalks from the existing curb to the right of way line to go from 5' existing sidewalks to 9.5' wide sidewalks by eliminating the existing landscape strip. New pedestrian lighting is to be designed along the corridor to be in line with existing roadway light poles and trees at least 2' from face of curb to meet AASHTO Green Book and FDOT standards. Street trees will be designed in line with the pedestrian lighting/ roadway lighting. Suspended pavement systems to increase effective root zone soil volumes (or alternate methods) and root barrier systems are to be specified under sidewalks to minimize sidewalk damage from trees. Bonded aggregates are to be specified in tree pits to support ADA/pedestrian activities and reduce tripping hazards.

#### **PROJECT TEAM:**

- o Owner: City of Fort Lauderdale Transportation & Mobility Department (TAM)
- o Project Manager: MacKendy Philippi
- o Design Consultant: Kimley-Horn, Lead Engineer: Marwan Mufleh; Jonathan Haigh, Tom Hargrett, Brandon Kern.
- o Design Survey: Michael Donaldson, PSM, City Surveyor

#### **ADDITIONAL PROJECT STAKEHOLDERS:**

- o City of Fort Lauderdale:
  - Transportation Department: Ben Rogers, Gail Jagessar, Kristin Thompson
  - Parks & Recreation: Mark Almy, Corey Callier
  - CRA: Clarence Woods, Cija Omengabar
- o Fort Lauderdale Central City Redevelopment Advisory Board (CCRAB)
  - Members: Ray Thrower (Chair), Denis Ulmer (Vice Chair), Shane Jordan, Justin Greenbaum, Christina Robinson, Jason Hoffman.
- o FDOT, District 4: Nesa Harden, District IV Permits; Jerry M Dean District IV Permits Coordinator; Nerisha Joseph, Permit Coordinator; John Olsen, District Design Engineer.
- o Utility Owners: FPL- Friedrich Morton





- o Civic Associations:
  - Lin Morgan, President, South Middle River Association
  - Barry Curtis, President, Central City Alliance

ACTIONS TAKEN TO DATE SINCE DECEMBER 2021 SUBMITTAL:

There was a change of City Project Manager to MacKendy Philippi.

Design permit application commenced on October 2021 and continued through June 2022. More recent comments were received in the third week of June and will be responded before July 2022. We anticipate FDOT permit approval on or before August 2022. Upon approval, a solicitation will be ready for advertisement and procurement of a construction company to complete the work. The project timeline has been updated to reflect these changes.

The CRA is seeking a 24-month extension to the BRP Interlocal Agreement to December 2024, to allow completion of the project. A signed formal request letter from the City Manager is provided in this reporting cycle. The additional months will cover the construction phase and the reimbursement close out phase of the grant.

1. FINANCIAL REPORTING

- The consultant Kimley Horn has completed work and has provided invoiced the project for the design charges reflected below.

<b>Index Code: P12557.348A</b>	<b>THE NE 4TH AVE COMPLETE STREET PROJECT</b>
<b>Description</b>	<b>Balance</b>
BROWAD COUNTY-TRA	\$ 1,000,000.00
ENGINEERING FEES	\$ 93,894.00
CONSTRUCTION	\$ 0.00
BALANCE	\$ 906,106.00

2. PROJECT DEVELOPEMNT SCHEDULE

- **DESIGN SCHEDULE: Completed and submitted to FDOT permitting on December 2021.**
- **CONSTRUCTION SCHEDULE: To be completed when design schedule is finalized.**
  - o Project Advertisement TBD
  - o BID Opening TBD
  - o Construction Award TBD
    - Phase(s) TBD
  - o Construction Start TBD
  - o Estimated Construction Completion TBD



3. PROJECT TIMELINE (revised June 22, 2022)

Timeline based on average time to complete one task once previous task completed. If one task shifts, the schedule should be shifted appropriately.

- December 2019 Grant Approved by City Commission/ Broward County
- May 2020 - April 2021 Procurement/Scoping/Negotiation with Design Consultant
- May 2021 Design Consultant Task Order Approved/Design starts
- July 2021 30% Design Plans Submitted
- September 2021 60% Design Plans Submitted
- October 2021 90% Design Plans Submitted
- October 2021 FDOT permit submission
- November 2021 City submitted responses to FDOT
- December 2021 FDOT Final Plans re-submission
- January 2022 - June 2022 FDOT permit review period
- August 2022 FDOT permit approval
- September 2022 Advertisement for Construction (30 days minimum)
- October 2022 Construction Bids open
- November 2022 Commission Construction Award
- February 2023 Construction starts
- February 2024 Construction completed
- June 2024 Construction closeout completed
- December 2024 Submit Grant Reimbursement to Broward County





4. PROJECT HISTORY:

MARCH 5, 2019	Grant approved by Broward County Commission
DECEMBER 30, 2019	Fully Executed Interlocal Agreement
APRIL 2020	Level Set Meeting – CRA, Transportation and Mobility, Public Works
MAY 2020 – APRIL 2021	Procurement/Scoping/Negotiation with Design Consultant
<b>June 2020</b>	<b>Bi-annual Status Report No. 1 due</b>
AUGUST 2020	Task Order Finalized with Kimley Horn Part (I) <i>Withdrew</i>
SEPTEMBER 2020	Project Team Shift – reorganization and budget discussion
OCTOBER 2020 - <b>DECEMBER 2020</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Project hold</b> pending execution of a NEW Civil Engineering Consultant Services Continuing Contract</li> <li>• <b>Bi-annual Report No. 2 due</b></li> </ul>
JANUARY 2021	City Commission approved Annual Traffic and Transportation Engineering and Planning Services Agreement
APRIL 2021	Procurement Process: Task Order approval / Issuance of purchase order
MAY 2021	Design Services Kick-off Meeting with Kimley Horn Part II
<b>JUNE 2021</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Project Team Meetings: Design development &amp; Scheduling</li> <li>• <b>Bi-annual Report No. 3 due</b></li> </ul>
JULY 13, 2021	30% Design presentation at the CCRA Public Meeting
AUGUST 12, 2021	60 % Design presentation at the CCRA Public Meeting
OCTOBER 21, 2021	90% Design submission for FDOT permit review
NOVEMBER 2021	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Received and responded to FDOT comments</li> <li>• 90 % Design Presentation at the CCRA Public Meeting</li> </ul>
<b>DECEMBER 2021</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Bi-annual Report No. 4 due</b></li> <li>• Final Plans submission</li> </ul>
JANUARY 2022 - JUNE 2022	FDOT permit review period
<b>June 2022</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Received and responding to FDOT comments</li> <li>• <b>Bi-annual annual report No. 5 due</b></li> <li>• Request Extension of ILA December 31, 2022 deadline</li> </ul>

5. PROJECT MILESTONES (NONE)