Broward County



Legislation Text

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Broward County Commission Regular Meeting

Director's Name: Lary S. Mahoney

Department: Public Works **Division:** Real Property and Real Estate

Information

Requested Action

MOTION TO APPROVE Agreement between Broward County and City of Fort Lauderdale (the "Agreement") authorizing the use of certain County-owned property located in the City of Fort Lauderdale ("City") by the City as a temporary construction staging and parking area, accepting the transfer of real property adjacent to the Broward County Main Library from the City to Broward County ("County") through a quit claim deed, at no cost to the County, pending final approval by the City after a public hearing required under the City's Charter, and providing for the City's support and cooperation in connection with licenses, permits, rezoning approvals, authorizations, and the like for certain future County projects; and authorize the County Administrator to execute the Agreement. (Commission District 6 and 8)

Why Action is Necessary

Board of County Commissioners' approval is required to enter into an agreement with municipalities and to accept an interest in real property.

What Action Accomplishes

Approves an agreement between the County and the City and accepts the conveyance of real property by the City to the County through a quit claim deed, subject to final approval after the City's June 20, 2023, public hearing required under the City's Charter.

Is this Action Goal Related

No

Previous Action Taken

None.

Summary Explanation/Background

This item approves the Agreement between Broward County ("County") and City of Fort Lauderdale ("City") addressing several matters between the parties (the "Agreement"). First, the County is the owner of certain real property located at 1000 Southwest 2nd Street, Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33312 ("Staging Area"), commonly known as the former site of the Broward Addiction Recovery Center ("BARC"). The City of Fort Lauderdale ("City") has requested to use the Staging Area as a temporary construction staging and parking area while the City redevelops the Fort Lauderdale Police Department. The Agreement provides the City with temporary, non-exclusive use of the Staging Area, subject to the terms contained therein.

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Second, the County has requested the City transfer certain property located adjacent to the Broward County Main Library ("Main Library"), located at Southeast 1st Street, Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33301 ("Library Property") for purposes of improvements to the Main Library, including for use as an outdoor meeting, socialization, event space for library patrons and the community at large, and other public uses. The City has agreed to convey the Library to the County via quitclaim deed, in the form attached as Exhibit B of the Agreement, subject to the reservation of a utility easement for the City for existing utilities on the Library Property.

Third, the County has identified three properties, all located in the City, as locations for improvement and redevelopment opportunities including: 1000 Southwest 2nd Street for a new affordable housing development, 325 Southwest 28th Street for the expansion of 25 additional beds in the annex area for BARC, and 2000 West Commercial Boulevard for new County governmental facilities. The Agreement provides that the City agrees to support the County and cooperate to the greatest extent permissible with the County obtaining all required licenses, permits, rezoning approval, authorizations, and the like for improvement of the aforementioned properties.

On May 16, 2023, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 23-0516, approving the Agreement. Additionally, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 23-0436, declaring the City's intent to convey the Library Property to the County and setting a public hearing to consider same. The City Council will conduct a public hearing on June 20, 2023, to consider the transfer of the Library Property, pursuant to Section 8.02 of the City's Charter.

All documents have been reviewed and approved as to form by the Office of the County Attorney.

Source of Additional Information

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Fiscal Impact

Fiscal Impact/Cost Summary

There is no fiscal impact to Broward County.