



December 28, 2004

Robert Harbin, Director
Parks and Recreation Division
950 NW 38 Street
Oakland Park, FL 33309

Subject: Special Report – Fiscal Year 2003/2004 Enhanced Marine Law Enforcement Grant Agreement between Broward County and the City of Fort Lauderdale

Dear Mr. Harbin:

The Internal Audit Office has applied certain audit procedures, as discussed below, to the accounting records of the City of Fort Lauderdale (City) in order to determine compliance with the requirements applicable to the **Enhanced Marine Law Enforcement Grant**, as detailed in the accompanying exhibit of revenues and expenditures for the period October 1, 2003 to September 30, 2004. The management of the Police Department is responsible for the City's compliance with those requirements. Our responsibility is to determine whether the revenues and amounts received from Broward County were expended in accordance with the agreement and to determine compliance with those requirements based on our review.

We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted government auditing standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether material noncompliance with the requirements referred to above occurred. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence about the City's compliance with those requirements.

The results of our tests indicate that with respect to the items tested, the City complied with the provisions of the agreement and the revenues and amounts received from Broward County were expended in accordance with the agreement as it relates to Daytime and Aggressive Patrol hours totaling \$73,798.

However, with respect to \$52,000 expended for Boating Safety Sign Replacement, the City did not comply with the specific terms of the Agreement as follows:

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Article 3, Section 3.2 states all duties, obligations, and responsibilities of GRANTEE required by this Agreement shall be completed no later than September 30, 2004. Time will be deemed to be of the essence in performing the duties, obligations, and responsibilities required by this Agreement.

Article 2, Section 2.1 and Exhibit "A" (As amended July 4, 2004) required worn-out Boating Safety Signs be replaced along the Intracoastal Waterway, New River and Middle River. We noted signs were not located in all areas identified in the Agreement.

Our audit determined signs were not purchased/received and/or installed by September 30, 2004. Signs were ordered in November 2004 and as of December 23, 2004, 38 of 44¹ signs had been installed at the locations indicated with the exception that no signs were installed along the New River. The remaining signs have been purchased, but not yet installed.

In conclusion, Internal Audit has determined \$52,000, plus interest, may be due back to the County, if the County held to the strict interpretation that work had to be completed no later than September 30, 2004 and signs did not have to be placed along the New River.

Sincerely,

Allyson C. Love
Director, Office of Management and Budget

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Enclosure – Schedule

c: George Gretsas, City Manager
Kathleen Gunn, Assistant City Manager
Stephen Scott, Assistant City Manager
Bruce Roberts, Chief of Police
Terry Sharp, Director of Finance
Albert Carbon, Public Works Director
Peter Partington, City Engineer
Ann Kelleher, Assistant to the City Manager

¹ Sign quantity from Grant Application, page 5 of 11.

**City of Fort Lauderdale
Enhanced Marine Law Enforcement Grant
Schedule of Revenues and Expenditures
For the Year Ended September 30, 2004**

	Contract Award	Actual	Actual
REVENUES:			
<u>Intergovernmental - Public Safety</u>			
Daytime & Aggressive Patrol in Zones IV, V, VI	\$114,030		
Boating Safety Sign Replacement	60,000		
Broward County Grant	\$174,030		
 <u>Revenues Received:</u>			
Daytime & Aggressive Patrol in Zones IV, V, VI			\$ 49,770
 <u>Due from Broward County:</u>			
Daytime & Aggressive Patrol in Zones IV, V, VI			24,028
Boating Safety Sign Replacement			52,000 ¹
 Total Revenues			\$ 125,798
 EXPENDITURES:			
Other Professional Service		\$ 67,472	
Gasoline		6,326	
Improvement Repair and Maintenance		52,000 ¹	
 Total Expenditures			\$ 125,798 ²
 Excess of Revenues Over - (Under) Expenditures			\$0.00

Notes :

¹ Boating safety signs were not purchased/received and/or installed by September 30, 2004.

² 75% of the funds allocated to the Project were not expended by September 30, 2004.