

# **Updates from City Commission Meetings**

The City of Fort Lauderdale is hosting City Commission meetings in-person at City Hall located at 100 N Andrews Avenue, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301. City Commissioners and members of the public are also able to participate virtually through Zoom. If any person wishes to address the City Commission, the person shall sign up using the online Speaker Card prior to the meeting or sign up in the City Hall lobby using the City Clerk's iPad. The online Speaker Card can be accessed at fortlauderdale.gov/citycommissionmeetings.

The public can listen to and view City Commission meetings on <u>FLTV</u>, <u>YouTube</u>, Comcast Channel 78, and AT&T U-verse Channel 99. To learn more about City Commission meetings, including how to view agendas and sign up to speak, visit <u>fortlauderdale.gov/citycommissionmeetings</u>.

In case you missed them, following are highlights from the Fort Lauderdale City Commission meetings on Tuesday, October 5, 2021. The videos are available at <a href="youtube.com/cityoffortlauderdale">youtube.com/cityoffortlauderdale</a> and the vote summary will be available later this week at fortlauderdale.legistar.com/calendar.

#### CITY COMMISSION CONFERENCE MEETING

# **City Commission Discusses LauderTrail**

Transportation and Mobility staff together with staff from the PATH Foundation provided an update on LauderTrail, a proposed network of safe, high-quality, well-appointed trails that will provide opportunities for nonmotorized commuting and social recreation throughout the City. Thirty-one miles of trails are planned at an estimated cost of approximately \$90 million. Over the coming weeks, the City Commission will review the master plan document for potential adoption at an upcoming regular meeting of the City Commission. The City Commission will also provide guidance on which trail segment will serve as a model project to lead the establishment of LauderTrail. The selected model project would be partially funded by the Parks Bond in the amount of \$5 million. Additional upcoming steps include creating an implementation committee and establishing a friends group. For details, visit ftlcity.info/3Durrt9.

### COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY (CRA) BOARD MEETING

# **CRA Board Approves New Partners for West Village Project**

The City Commission, acting as the Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA) Board of Commissioners, approved Altis Cardinal Living, LLC as new partners for the West Village, LLC Project. The West Village Project is a mixed-use development project proposed to be located at 501 NW 7 Avenue with two 6-story residential structures containing a total of 455 multifamily rental units in the form of apartments and townhomes. The project also features 17,752 square feet of leasable commercial use on the first floor and a 6-story, 498-space parking structure. For details, visit ftlcity.info/3Ac8uJr.

#### CITY COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING

# **City Commission Approves Grant Funds for Operation Venice of America**

The City Commission approved the acceptance of a \$184,104 grant from the FY 2021-2022 Broward County Enhanced Marine Law Enforcement Grant (EMLEG) Program that aims to improve boating safety by enhancing or supplementing marine law enforcement activities and improving boating safety education. The City will use the awarded grant funds to continue "Operation Venice of America" by providing up to 3,696 hours of peak time waterway law enforcement patrols and marine law enforcement training. For details, visit ftlcity.info/3Df7EOC.

# City Commission Accepts Britto Sculpture Donation for Hardy Park

The City Commission approved the acceptance of the donation of a sculpture by renowned artist Romero Britto from Tarpon River resident Yasmine Reger. The sculpture, which features a pair of colorful palm trees, is to be placed at Hardy Park along SW 7 Street in close proximity to the Southside Cultural Arts Center where it will be visible to passing traffic. A contractor will relocate the sculpture from the donor's property to Hardy Park at an estimated cost of \$15,000. For details, visit <a href="ftlcity.info/3lbkNSa">ftlcity.info/3lbkNSa</a>.

# City Commission Approves Agreement for Go Riverwalk Magazine

The City Commission adopted a resolution approving a Not for Profit Service Agreement with Riverwalk Fort Lauderdale, Inc. in the amount of \$50,400 for space in the monthly Go Riverwalk Magazine. Through this agreement, each month the magazine will feature a one-page message from the Mayor or a City Commissioner and two pages with information about City announcements, events, projects, awards, or other content. Riverwalk will also share City information online and through social media. To read the latest edition of Go Riverwalk Magazine, visit <a href="https://www.goriverwalk.com">www.goriverwalk.com</a>. For details visit <a href="https://www.goriverwalk.com">fttlcity.info/2YtSUvR</a>.

## City Commission Approves FDEP Grant Funds for Hendricks Isle Seawall Project

The City Commission approved a resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute a Grant Agreement with the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) in the amount of \$449,718 for the Hendricks Isle Seawall Project. This project includes the replacement of two City-owned seawalls located along Hendricks Isle that are over 50 years old, structurally deficient, and functionally obsolete. In addition to their poor structural condition, the existing seawalls are overtopped during higher-than-normal tidal events, negatively impacting infrastructure on the public right-of-way as well as private property along Hendricks Isle. This grant will fund 50% of the project construction costs and the remaining construction costs will be funded from the Community Investment Plan. The grant requires that all work be completed by June 30, 2022. For details, visit ftlcity.info/3iwY412.

### City Commission Accepts FDOT Grant for Community Shuttle Stops and Shelters

The City Commission authorized the City Manager to execute an agreement with the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) and approve the acceptance of \$393,750 in grant funds for the design and installation of 15 Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (ADA)-compliant community shuttle stops and shelters. The new stops and shelters will improve safe access to

public transit with the addition of firm, stable, and slip-resistant pads in designated locations where passengers board and alight. Visit <a href="www.fortlauderdale.gov/communityshuttle">www.fortlauderdale.gov/communityshuttle</a> to learn more about the City's community shuttle service. For details, visit <a href="fttlcity.info/2YoaxwY">fttlcity.info/2YoaxwY</a>.

# City Commission Approves Agreement for Edgewood Neighborhood Storm Water Improvements

The City Commission approved an agreement with David Mancini & Sons, Inc. for the Edgewood Neighborhood Stormwater Improvements Project in the amount of \$14,471,533. This project includes new stormwater infrastructure and repairs to existing infrastructure within the Edgewood neighborhood to address recurring flooding that is negatively impacting properties and businesses. The project also includes resurfacing roads and restoring landscaping impacted by construction activities. For details, visit ftlcity.info/3DuzWV5.

#### City Commission Approves Resolution to Proceed with Boring Company Proposal

The City Commission approved a resolution providing notice of their decision to proceed with the unsolicited proposal submitted by The Boring Company for the design, construction, operation, and maintenance of a proposed subsurface tunnel system from Downtown Fort Lauderdale to Fort Lauderdale Beach and authorizing negotiations of a proposed interim and/or comprehensive agreement. With the adoption of this resolution, the City's attorney will coordinate with Boring Company officials to further explore the proposal and review regulatory, engineering, legal, environmental, and structural components of the project. For details, visit <a href="mailto:ttlcity.info/2WJ9N4T">ttlcity.info/2WJ9N4T</a>.

# City Commission Approves Naming Portion of Riverwalk Walking Trail as "Edward D. Stone Jr. Trail at Riverwalk Historic District"

The City Commission adopted a resolution approving the naming of a portion of the walking trail along the north side of the New River between SW 4 Avenue and SW 2 Avenue as "Edward D. Stone Jr. Trail at Riverwalk Historic District" and authorizing the installation of two monument signs. Edward D. Stone was the founder of EDSA and was instrumental in the design and creation of the Riverwalk. The request was initially made by representatives from Edward D. Stone, Associates (EDSA) who contacted the City's Parks and Recreation Department in May 2021. Since then, this item has been approved unanimously by the City's Parks, Recreation, and Beaches Advisory Board and Historic Preservation Board. For details, visit <a href="ftlcity.info/3Diy6Xg">ftlcity.info/3Diy6Xg</a>.

## **More Information**

For more information on items on the October 5, 2021 Commission Meeting agendas, visit the City website at fortlauderdale.legistar.com/calendar.

### Next City Commission Meetings on October 21, 2021

The next City Commission meetings are scheduled for Thursday, October 21, 2021. City Hall is open and members of the public are invited to attend meetings in person. City Commissioners and members of the public will be able to participate virtually through Zoom. The public may also listen to and view the meetings on <a href="FLTV">FLTV</a>, <a href="YouTube">YouTube</a>, Comcast Channel 78, and AT&T U-verse Channel 99. To learn more about City Commission meetings, including how to view agendas and sign up to speak, visit fortlauderdale.gov/citycommissionmeetings.